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Morgan Schneiderlin celebrates his goal.

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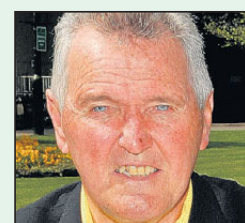
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SAINTS 4 NORWICH 2: POCH'S MEN HOLD

GALLAGHER THE SAINTS

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Saints were all over Norwich from the word go, with Dejan Lovren coming close to opening the scoring inside two minutes, rising to meet James Ward-Prowse's corner, only to put his header from about eight yards out over the bar.

Shortly afterwards, Nathaniel Clyne raced clear down the right

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and squared a perfectly-weighted ball into the path of Adam Lallana's run. The Saints skipper hit it first time, from just inside the area, but was denied by a superb block from Ryan Bennett.

Seconds later, though, the pressure told, as the hosts strung together a sublime move.

Steven Davis' pass into the feet of Rodriguez was laid-off to Gastón Ramirez, who curled a first-time ball into the path of Schneiderlin, who had broken in behind the Norwich defence.

As John Ruddy came out to close him down, the midfielder calmly slotted the ball past the keeper and into the far corner.

Saints threatened to go further in front when Davis glanced a Ramirez free-kick wide of the far post.

Saints' dominance was clearly to the delight of Krueger and owner Katharina Liebherr, who

were pictured smiling and sharing a laugh in the directors' box.

A glorious angled ball from Ramirez then picked out the run of Rodriguez down the inside-left channel, with only Joseph Yobo's fine last-ditch tackle denying him.

Another pass from the Uruguayan, this time in the 20th minute, worked its way across the area to Davis, who took a touch before dragging a left-foot shot wide.

The Uruguayan went for goal himself moments later, but his low, curling effort towards the far corner from just outside the box was off target.

For all of Saints' pressure, the home side had occasionally looked vulnerable at the back, entirely through their own doing, and José Fonte risked embarrassment in the 30th minute.

The defender miscontrolled the



ball just outside the area, with it running towards Bradley Johnson. No one was behind Fonte, who launched into a desperation tackle, with the ball spinning loose and hitting his arm.

Norwich appealed for handball, but referee Kevin Friend gave nothing.

The visitors could have equalised soon after, when Snodgrass slid in Gary Hooper, but he rifled a right-foot effort wide of the near post.

Davis was the first man into the book, after flying into a tackle on Martin Olsson by the corner flag, as the Norwich left-back sprinted forward.

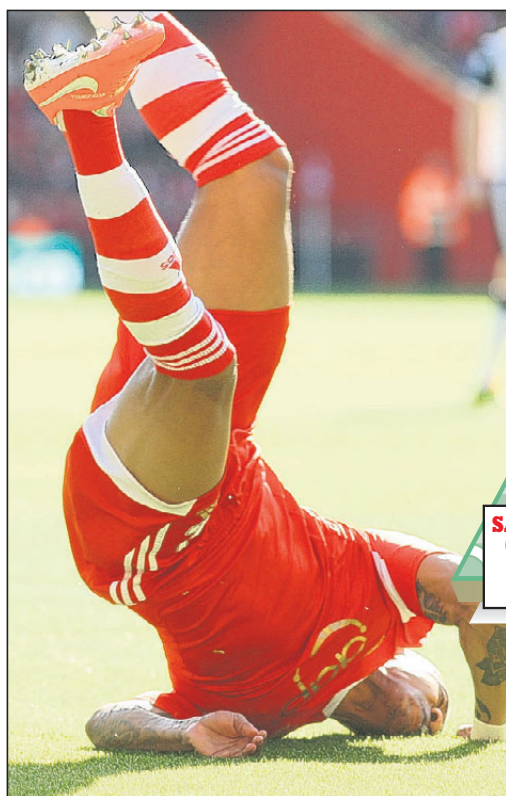
Shortly before half-time, Anthony Pilkington was yellow-carded for using his hand to try and put Hooper's cross

into the net.

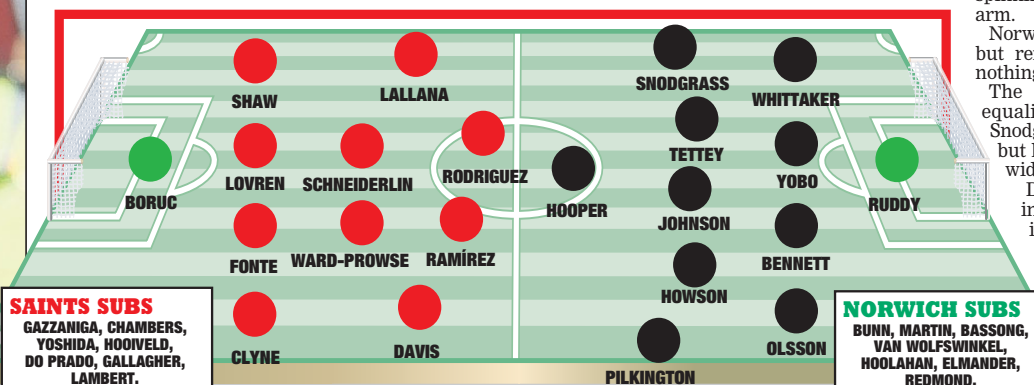
As they did in the first, Saints began the second-half well and, after a series of passes between Lallana, Ramirez and Davis, Ward-Prowse forced Ruddy into a good save with a fierce strike from 25 yards.



EYE ON THE BALL: Jay Rodriguez.



CRASH LANDING: Nathaniel Clyne.



SAINTS boss Mauricio Pochettino made two changes from the side that beat Crystal Palace 1-0 last weekend.

The most notable decision was dropping striker Rickie Lambert, who has not scored in his last five

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matches, to the bench. Jack Cork also missed out, after suffering an ankle injury at Selhurst Park.

James Ward-Prowse, who had not started a league game since

late December, was restored to the line-up.

Gastón Ramirez was also handed a first start since New Year's Day, with Jay Rodriguez being deployed as the most advanced attacker.

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OFF LATE NORWICH RALLY IN ST MARY'S THRILLER

SETTLES NERVES



ABOVE: Jay Rodriguez celebrates his goal.

LEFT: Jay Rodriguez scores.



Artur Boruc, whose kicking had been dreadful all afternoon, nearly gifted Norwich an equaliser, with a terrible short pass towards Schneiderlin just outside the area.

It was well off target, forcing the Frenchman to slide in and get a crucial touch before Norwich pounced.

Pochettino made his first substitution in the 55th minute, replacing Lallana with Lambert. A few eyebrows were raised at the captain being withdrawn, but it was a move that paid dividends within two minutes.

Fonte's lofted ball forward was found its way through to Lambert, who deftly cut inside Yobo before stroking the ball past Ruddy.

It would have been a relief for Lambert, who had not scored in his previous five, and had the England manager, Roy Hodgson, watching on from the stands.

Snodgrass was then booked for a foul on Luke Shaw, before Pochettino brought on Guly de Prado for Ramirez, who received a standing ovation.

Norwich boss Chris Hughton made a triple substitution after 65 minutes, taking off Johnson, Hooper and Pilkington, and throwing on Ricky van Wolfswinkel, Elmander and Nathan Redmond.

Lambert nearly put Saints completely out of sight with 20 minutes left, but, under pressure from Steven Whittaker, he fired just wide from 18 yards after

being picked out by Clyne's pass. It wasn't long until the striker did help his side find a third, though.

Guly broke through the Norwich defence brilliantly, only to be denied at close range by a fine Ruddy stop.

The rebound looped to Lambert, who could have shot, but showed tremendous presence of mind to square the ball to Rodriguez in space, and the forward slammed into an unguarded net for his 14th of the season.

Rodriguez nearly added another in the 81st minute, with a glorious curling effort across goal that hit the angle of post and crossbar.

Seconds later, Lambert should have made it 4-0, being slipped in by Davis, only for Ruddy to stop his low drive with his right leg.

The game looked dead and buried, but Norwich were handed a lifeline with five minutes left, when a terrible pass from Fonte across his own backline

was pounced on by Elmander, who prodded past Boruc.

Immediately, the visitors scored a second. This time it was Guly with the poor pass, which was intercepted. The ball was worked to Elmander, whose shot across goal was saved by a diving Boruc, but Snodgrass turned in the rebound at the near post.

Five minutes of injury time were announced, with Redmond nearly latching onto Snodgrass' chipped pass over the top, before Pochettino killed some time by bringing on Gallagher for Rodriguez.

Saints finished the game with ten men, as Lovren limped off after colliding with teammate Davis.

But they still managed to add a fourth, with Davis pouncing on Alex Tettey's slip, sprinting forward and playing in Gallagher.

Ruddy got a piece of his shot, but the ball spun over the keeper and just edged over the line to cap a mad ending.



GROUP HUG: Rickie Lambert, centre, celebrates his goal with teammates Jay Rodriguez, right, and Luke Shaw.



THUMBS UP: New chairman Ralph Krueger with club owner Katharina Liebherr.

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Saints Spotlight



Saints taught 'great lesson'

SAINTS boss Mauricio Pochettino said his team were taught a "great lesson" after nearly throwing away a three-goal lead against Norwich.

Saints led 3-0 with five minutes left at St Mary's, but then gifted the Canaries two goals in a matter of seconds to set up a nervous finale.

Sam Gallagher's strike deep into injury time ensured a 4-2 win, but Pochettino, pictured above, said they must learn from their late lapse in concentration.

"It's a great lesson that we have to learn from today's game," he said. "We're a young side that's still growing, and the main lesson today is that, obviously, the game is not finished until the final whistle has blown."

"We're well satisfied with the game at 3-0, but it goes to show that when you lose a little bit of focus, you lay your guard down, we basically made two quick mistakes."

"We conceded two soft goals and, again, it is a lesson we have to learn."

Pochettino also revealed that Dejan Lovren, who limped off in the dying stages, had suffered a particularly unfortunate – not to mention painful – injury.

"Basically, one of his testicles was stepped on by another player and I'm pretty sure that one testicle is quite inflamed, quite swollen," he said.

DAWN OF NEW ERA



SPECIAL MOMENT: Sam Gallagher celebrates his first Premier League goal.

YOU could not escape the feeling that Saints were embarking on an exciting new era as Ralph Krueger and Katharina Liebherr surveyed a sunlit St Mary's.

Every photographer had their lens trained in on the happy couple before Saints' first game under Krueger's chairmanship.

On the pitch, we were treated to fabulous entertainment, certainly during the second half.

Krueger must have been particularly delighted with Saints' offensive play, Morgan Schneiderlin ensuring a half-time lead before Rickie Lambert, Jay Rodriguez and Sam Gallagher secured the points during a thrilling last half hour.

For long periods, Ramirez and Rodriguez looked like a partnership as promising as the Krueger/Liebherr alliance.

A fifth-minute move that began with Steven Davis ended with Schneiderlin slotting past John Ruddy after a beautiful pass from Ramirez, following a well-weighted lay-off from Rodriguez, who started in place of Lambert.

While he has been a largely disappointing buy, no-one has ever questioned the ability of Ramirez, a club-record signing when he arrived for £12m from Bologna 18 months ago.

He showed the sort of vision that made Saints stump up that cash when he raked a glorious 30-yard pass to Rodriguez, which so nearly created another opening.

Ramirez threatened again, curling a nonchalant left-footer wide from 20 yards out, but the first half drifted to an anti-climactic close. It proved to be the calm before a riotous second period.

Krueger and Liebherr were treated to a Lambert goal just before the hour. Having replaced the relatively quite Adam Lallana, Lambert slotted

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AT ST MARY'S



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in a timely first goal in six games.

Amid all the interest in Krueger, it almost went unnoticed that Roy Hodgson had made the trip down the M3 once again.

The England manager was given another goal for thought when Rodriguez extended Saints' lead.

Rodriguez slammed in his 14th of the season from six yards after Guly Do Prado, having come on for Ramirez, went past two Norwich defenders after receiving Lambert's cute pass.

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Guly was denied from point-blank range by John Ruddy, but the ricochet bounced in J-Rod's favour and Saints' top scorer made no mistake, before thumping the angle of post and crossbar with a missile-like 30-yarder.

There was a but, however. Saints lost their focus in the late afternoon session, with Jose Fonte and Guly guilty of two poor passes that allowed Johan Elmander and Robert Snodgrass to give Norwich hope of stealing a point.

But Gallagher's first Premier League goal soon provided another reminder of Saints' exciting future.

A high-scoring springtime win against Norwich will always draw comparison with the thrilling 4-3 win under Harry Redknapp nine years ago, at the end of Saints' longest spell in the top flight.

Few who were there will ever forget that match, but unlike this one it came at the end of an era.

Both clubs were soon relegated and would drop into League One before being reunited in the Premier League two years ago.

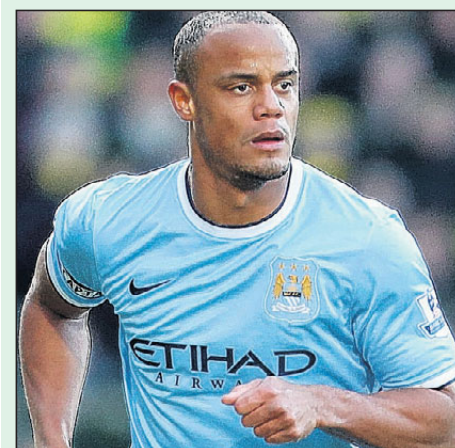
Norwich might slip through the Premier League's trapdoor once again, but it seems Saints have everything to look forward to under Krueger, Liebherr and, hopefully, Mauricio Pochettino.



GOAL: Sam Gallagher scores his goal past Norwich City's John Ruddy.



WRESTLING MATCH: Dejan Lovren gets to grips with a Norwich opponent.



RED CARD: Vincent Kompany.

TEN-MAN CITY SEE OFF HULL

MANCHESTER City shrugged off the tenth-minute dismissal of captain Vincent Kompany as they dredged up a 2-0 win at Hull to keep the pressure on Barclays Premier League leaders Chelsea.

David Silva struck a superb long-range opener just four minutes after Kompany was shown a straight red card for hauling down Nikica Jelavic who was through on goal.

City then sealed their return to second place when Silva sent through Edin Dzeko to make it two in the final minute.

Basement boys Fulham secured a vital win – the first of Felix Magath's tenure – at the expense of Newcastle.

With Magpies boss Alan Pardew watching via video link from the team hotel due to his three-match stadium ban for headbutting Hull's David Meyler, Fulham substitute Ashkan Dejagah hit the only goal of a 1-0 victory on 68 minutes.

Another manager under scrutiny of late has been West Brom's Pepe Mel, who had failed to deliver a win since taking the job in January.

That changed in dramatic fashion on Saturday as Youssef Mulumbu's late strike earned the Baggies a 2-1 victory at Swansea.

Roland Lamah scored for the Swans after two minutes, only for Stephane Sessegnon to equalise in the 52nd minute. Mel then punched the air in celebration as Mulumbu bent the ball past Michael Vorm with five minutes remaining.

The victory lifts West Brom three points clear of the relegation zone after 18th-placed Cardiff lost 2-1 at the death in their meeting with Europa League-chasing Everton.

On-loan Barcelona forward Gerard Deulofeu (59) and Juan Cala (68) exchanged goals in the second half and it looked like the points would be shared until Seamus Coleman fired a winner for the Toffees three minutes into stoppage time.

Stoke came from behind to enter the top half of the table, Peter Odemwingie's brace proving decisive in a 3-1 home victory over West Ham.

It took the Hammers only five minutes to take the lead through Andy Carroll but Odemwingie levelled in the 32nd minute before adding a second goal ten minutes after Marko Arnautovic notched on 69 minutes.

Elsewhere, Sunderland remain marooned in the drop zone after playing out a goalless draw with Crystal Palace at the Stadium of Light.

MORE SAINTS v NORWICH REACTION IN MONDAY'S ECHO

Grabban 'winner' ruled out

BOURNEMOUTH 0
MIDDLESBROUGH 0

REFEREE Fred Graham took centre stage as Cherries' attempts to win a fourth Championship game in succession were thwarted following a 0-0 draw with Middlesbrough today.

The Essex-based official's baffling decision to disallow a first-half effort by Lewis Grabban denied Cherries the lead and, ultimately, proved pivotal to the contest ending in stalemate.

Graham deemed Grabban had fouled Boro's Dimitrios Konstantopoulos, although the goalkeeper appeared to drop the ball to prevent himself from carrying it out of his 18-yard box.

Although Grabban poked the ball home from an acute angle, his strike was chalked off just before the interval.

Mohamed Coulibaly was drafted in for his first start since the opening day of the season as Eddie Howe made one change to the Cherries

starting line-up.

Coulibaly, fully recovered from Achilles and calf injuries, replaced Scotsman Ryan Fraser, who was named among the Cherries substitutes.

Boro striker Danny Graham blazed the first chance high over the crossbar after Tommy Elphick's stray pass had been seized on by Dean Whitehead inside the opening 60 seconds.

Despite looking threatening and attacking with pace, Cherries failed to test visiting goalkeeper Konstantopoulos during the early stages with the Boro defence standing firm in front of the Greek stopper.

Referee Fred Graham, following a consultation with his assistant Dan Cook, opted to only book Grant Leadbitter after the midfielder had kicked out at Matt Ritchie during an off-the-ball incident in full view of the Main Stand.

Boro had an escape after 20 minutes when defender George Friend headed a probing free kick from Ian Harte narrowly over his own crossbar.

Friend then threw himself in front of a Ritchie piledriver before Steve Cook's timely tackle prevented Whitehead from bursting clear midway through the first half.

Referee Graham again took centre stage when he disallowed an effort from Lewis Grabban, the striker penalised for a mysterious foul on Konstantopoulos after the goalkeeper had dropped the ball in an attempt to stop carrying it out of his 18-yard box.

Lee Tomlin ballooned a volley into the North Stand after latching on to a cross from Mustapha Carayol before Andrew Surman skied a shot over the crossbar in first-half stoppage time.

Ritchie's cross-shot from a tight angle at the start of the second half thumped against the post before Surman's effort was deflected for a corner following good work by Coulibaly.

Ben Gibson's last-ditch tackle on substitute Marc Pugh denied him a shooting chance from close range before Konstantopoulos pushed a rasping drive from Simon Francis over the crossbar.

Cherries appealed in vain for a penalty after the ball had appeared to strike a defender's arm, with Eunan O'Kane poking the loose ball over the top.

Konstantopoulos pulled off a top-drawer save to parry Surman's 20-yard effort five minutes from time before Carayol was carried off after falling awkwardly in the closing seconds.

MATT RITCHIE: Twice went close to a winner for Cherries.



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The Saints legend's **EXCLUSIV**



Derby puts
Grand
Prix in
shade

SHADED: Lewis Hamilton, above, and the rest of Formula One have to take a back seat.

TWICE a year, South African football fans are treated to Africa's most renowned derby.

As with any local rivalry, bragging rights are on offer.

Unlike most derbies, however, this one reaches further than 22 men doing battle on a football field.

It reaches further than Monday morning's topic of discussion around water coolers country-wide.

This derby is imbedded in South Africa's history.

During the dark days of Apartheid, football often provided the only glimpse of light.

During the height of the struggle, Orlando Pirates' and Kaizer Chiefs' style of play could be seen as a symbol of the freedom their supporters so craved.

Maverick talents would stir the crowd into a frenzy, with outrageous and expressive pieces of skill, often sitting higher on the agenda than the actual result.

The exuberance shown on the field gave confidence and hope to those in the stands.

While oppression reigned on the streets, it could be argued that it was football which dominated households.

Although the Apartheid regime has gone, the importance of football has not.

Some 90,000 fans will fill Johannesburg's Soccer City this weekend, with just as much anticipation as they would have in the late 1970s.

The excitement is already tangible here in South Africa.

A casual drive through the bumper-to-bumper traffic on offer here in Johannesburg will show what it means to the population.

Street vendors, as they are every week I guess, are kitted out in Chiefs or Pirates shirts.

Taxi operators have the colours of their side painted, plastered, stuck or screwed onto their vehicles, with scarves, flags, and even the odd bone or two on show to support their respective teams.

Pedestrians walking to work, whether sporting a suit or shorts, will have some reference to their loyalty on display.

All of the other sporting fixtures on offer this weekend take a back seat to the derby.

Super Rugby, the T20 World Cup, even the start of the Formula One season will be forgotten come kick-off this weekend.

The latest fixture, in particular, carries some extra weight.

Kaizer Chiefs, the defending champions

and current table toppers, saw former coach Vladimir Vermezovic take charge of Orlando Pirates for the first time on Wednesday night.

That means this, only his second game in charge, will be in front of 45,000 heckling Chiefs fans, hoping for the failure of his new troops.

Pirates will have momentum going into the derby, having won their midweek fixture against fellow Soweto giants Moroka Swallows.

The fixture also brought about the debut of one Lehnolo Majoro, the former Kaizer Chiefs forward, who crossed town to Pirates in the January transfer window.

Majoro and his new teammates will have their work cut out for them. Despite Chiefs losing on Wednesday night, they have been the league's stand-out team this season.

Consistency is key to any campaign and Stuart Baxter, Chiefs' current head coach, will know that, emotions aside, victory is key should his side want to keep their title defence on track.

The past few episodes of this decades-old rivalry have failed to live up to expectations.

With draws being the most common outcome in recent years, there are signs that this edition will have a far more exciting outcome.

Pirates are not the team they once were. With managers coming and going, their league form has suffered.

Despite being the first South African team in years to reach the African Champions League final against all odds, they are not the defensive unit they once were.

Leaking goals against the league's minnows is a sign of the changing of the guard among the Pirates defence, with 37-year-old club captain Lucky Legwhati not the commanding force he once was.

There are positive signs at the opposite end of the pitch, though, with speedy wingers Dane Klate and Kermit Erasmus adding to new-boy Majoro's threat to the Chiefs defence.

Add to that the fact the Chiefs have strengthened their already-impressive front line with former Mamelodi Sundowns and Bafana Bafana stalwart Katlego Mphela, and we have a possibility of a lot of goals this time around.

It's hard to say who might come out victorious, as with any massive derby tension can so often affect the players.

Regardless of the result, though, the spectacle on offer is one not to be missed.

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column on all things football

IT COULD well be the transfer that decides the title race, and a fairly innocuous one at that.

The return of Nemanja Matic to Chelsea was hardly met with the fanfare that normally surrounds a £21m capture.

Then again, he wasn't exactly a new face to the Chelsea faithful.

Having failed to make the grade following his arrival from MSK Kosice, the Serbian was shipped out to Benfica in a transfer that brought David Luiz the other way. Credit, though, must go to Chelsea for admitting the error of their ways, re-signing Matic after a number of eye-catching displays for the Portuguese club.

It has ended up being money well spent, with the Blues unbeaten in eight Premier League games, winning six since his arrival.

That run has seen them open up a seven-point gap at the top of the table.

Wins over Manchester United, Manchester City, Everton and Tottenham have catapulted José Mourinho's side into the role of title favourites, and Matic has played a key part in their transformation.

Those victories listed above were built on a defensive solidity that was missing from Chelsea's displays earlier in the season.

Mourinho's decision to return to a more pragmatic approach, with Matic as a key player in the system, has paid dividends.

Before signing the Serbian midfielder, Chelsea had conceded 19 goals in 21 Premier League games.

However, since Mourinho inserted Matic in his team, they have kept five clean sheets, conceding just three goals in eight games. The Serbian has proved something of a revelation with the way that he has so quickly adapted to the pace of the English game.

The Premier League is played at a frenetic pace, no more so than in the middle of the park, but Matic has taken to the challenge like a fish to water.

In his first start, he was tasked with shackling the indomitable figure of Yaya Toure, and he did so with aplomb.

His performance at the Etihad Stadium earned him the nickname "The Beast", but it's hardly a representation of just what a good footballer he is. His approach to the midfield battle is as much about his intelligence as a footballer as his brute strength.

He is able to read the game and break up play without going in for the crunching challenge. When he needs to, though, he can get stuck in.

Against Tottenham this past weekend he made more passes than anyone else on the pitch.

His ability to pick a pass is what sets him apart from the other combative midfielders in the league, and something that Chelsea have been missing since Michael Ballack and Claude Makélélé conducted things in the centre of the park. John Obi Mikel, for all his endeavour, has



REVELATION: Chelsea's Nemanja Matic, left, could have been the most important signing of the Premier League season.

never been a player capable of stamping his authority on a match, while Frank Lampard is a waning force in this Chelsea team.

At 25 years of age, Matic is still to hit his peak, with Mourinho looking to rebuild the spine of his team.

With Didier Drogba already departed, John Terry and Frank Lampard soon look set to follow suit.

The Portuguese manager may not be noted for developing players, but he certainly knows how to build a team capable of challenging for titles. A common thread running through most title-winning sides,

the midfield enforcer rarely gets the plaudits afforded to those further up the pitch.

Michael Carrick has long been a polarising figure in Manchester, but he played a key role in their side last season.

Before him, there was Roy Keane and Patrick Vieira, both world-class midfielders that, more often than not, swayed the midfield battle in their team's favour.

Bringing things back to current times, Arsenal have been a much better defensive unit since the return of Mathieu Flamini, while Liverpool have shipped goals at an

alarming rate when Lucas has been kicking his heels on the sidelines.

Bill Shankly once said, "A football team is like a piano. You need eight men to carry it and three who can play the damn thing."

Chelsea may be blessed with the likes of Eden Hazard and Oscar, but without footballers like Matic, who are able to get stuck in and win the ball, that attacking talent will be wasted.

It may seem foolish to suggest that the outcome of the title can rest solely on one player, especially one that only joined in January, but you can't argue that Chelsea are a

changed team since his arrival.

Just as Robin van Persie managed to lift Manchester United to the title, and Mesut Özil provided an early-season impetus to Arsenal's play, Matic has given Chelsea the steel required to claim the title.

As with Özil, there will, at some stage, be an inevitable slump in form, which all players will go through, but there is enough evidence to suggest that Matic is the real deal.

Mourinho's men are heading towards the title, and "The Beast" is proving to be a key cog in the blue machine.

Saints Spotlight



SAINTS' FIRST TEAM FIXTURES AND RESULTS 2013/14

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SEPTEMBER															
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Sat 28	Crystal Palace(H)	W 2-0	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Wanyama	Schneiderlin	S Davis*	Oswaldo 1	Lallana***	Lambert** 1	W-Prowse*	Rodriguez**
OCTOBER															
Sat 5	Swansea(H)	W 2-0	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Fox	Wanyama	Schneiderlin	S Davis***	Oswaldo*	Lallana 1	Lambert	W-Prowse*	Rodriguez** 1
Sat 19	Man United(A)	D 1-1	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Wanyama	Schneiderlin	S Davis**	Rodriguez 1	Rodriguez	Oswaldo	W-Prowse*	Do Prado***
Sat 26	Fulham(H)	W 2-0	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Wanyama	Schneiderlin	W-Prowse**	Rodriguez* 1	Lallana	Lambert 1	Do Prado*	Cork**
NOVEMBER															
Sat 2	Stoke(A)	D 1-1	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Wanyama	Schneiderlin	W-Prowse	Rodriguez* 1	Lallana	Lambert	Ramirez*	Lallana**
Wed 6	Sunderland (CCC 4) .(A)	L 1-2	K Davis	Chambers	Yoshida 1	Hooiveld	Fox	Cork	Reed	S Davis**	Ramirez***	Rodriguez	Lee*	W-Prowse*	Oswaldo**
Sat 9	Hull(H)	W 4-1	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Wanyama*	Schneiderlin 1	W-Prowse	Lallana*** 1	Rodriguez	Lambert** 1	S Davis*	Cork***
Sat 23	Arsenal(A)	L 0-2	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Hooiveld	Shaw*	Wanyama	Schneiderlin	W-Prowse	Lallana**	Rodriguez	Lambert	S Davis*	Gallagher***
DECEMBER															
Sun 1	Chelsea(A)	L 1-3	Boruc*	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Wanyama	Schneiderlin***	W-Prowse**	Lallana	Rodriguez 1	Oswaldo	Gazzaniga*	S Davis**
Wed 4	Aston Villa(H)	L 2-3	Gazzaniga	Clyne***	Yoshida	Lovren	Shaw	Wanyama**	Schneiderlin	W-Prowse*	Lallana	Rodriguez 1	Lambert	Oswaldo* 1	Cork**
Sat 7	Manchester City . .(H)	D 1-1	Gazzaniga	Chambers	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Cork	S Davis***	W-Prowse	Lallana**	Rodriguez	Oswaldo*	Lambert*	Reed***
Sat 14	Newcastle(A)	D 1-1	Gazzaniga	Chambers	Hooiveld	Lovren	Shaw	Cork	S Davis	W-Prowse**	Rodriguez*** 1	Oswaldo*	Lambert	Lambert*	Gallagher***
Sat 21	Tottenham(H)	L 2-3	Gazzaniga	Chambers	Hooiveld	Lovren	Fox***	Cork*	Schneiderlin	S Davis**	Rodriguez	Rodriguez	Lambert 1	W-Prowse*	Ramirez**
Thu 26	Cardiff(A)	W 3-0	Gazzaniga	Chambers	Fonte	Yoshida	Shaw	Cork	Schneiderlin	S Davis	Lallana *	Rodriguez 2 **	Lambert 1***	W-Prowse*	Gallagher***
Sun 29	Everton(A)	L 1-2	K Davis	Chambers***	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Cork*	Schneiderlin	W-Prowse**	Lallana	Rodriguez	Lambert	Ramirez* 1	Clyne***
JANUARY															
Wed 1	Chelsea(H)	L 0-3	K Davis	Chambers	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw*	Cork**	Schneiderlin	S Davis***	Lallana	Ramirez	Rodriguez	Clyne*	Lambert**
Sat 4	Burnley (FAC 3) . .(H)	W 4-3	K Davis	Clyne 1	Yoshida	Hooiveld***	Shaw	Cork	Schneiderlin	S Davis	Ramirez**	W-Prowse	Lambert* 1	Rodriguez* 1	Lallana** 1
Sat 11	West Brom(H)	W 1-0	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Cork*	Schneiderlin	S Davis	Lallana** 1	Rodriguez***	Lambert	Ramirez*	W-Prowse**
Sat 18	Sunderland(A)	D 2-2	Boruc	Chambers	Fonte	Lovren*** 1	Shaw	Cork	Schneiderlin	S Davis	Lallana*	Rodriguez 1	Lambert	Ramirez**	Yoshida***
Sat 25	Yeovil (FAC 4) . . .(H)	W 2-0	K Davis	Clyne	Yoshida	Hooiveld	Shaw	Cork	Schneiderlin	W-Prowse***	Lallana**	Do Prado* 1	Rodriguez	Gallagher* 1	Reed***
Tue 28	Arsenal(H)	D 2-2	Boruc	Chambers	Fonte 1	Yoshida	Shaw	Cork	Schneiderlin	S Davis**	Lallana 1	Rodriguez	Gallagher*	W-Prowse*	Do Prado**
FEBRUARY															
Sat 1	Fulham(A)	W 3-0	Boruc	Chambers**	Fonte	Yoshida	Shaw	Wanyama*	Schneiderlin	S Davis	Lallana 1	Rodriguez*** 1	Lambert 1	Cork*	Gallagher***
Sat 8	Stoke(H)	D 2-2	Boruc	Clyne*	Fonte	Yoshida	Shaw	Cork	Schneiderlin	S Davis 1	Lallana	Rodriguez	Lambert 1	Chambers*	Clyne**
Tue 11	Hull(A)	W 1-0	Boruc	Chambers	Fonte 1	Yoshida	Shaw	Cork	Schneiderlin	S Davis***	Lallana**	Rodriguez	Lambert*	Do Prado*	Wanyama***
Sat 15	Sunderland (FAC 5) .(A)	L 0-1	K Davis	Clyne	Yoshida	Hooiveld	Shaw	Wanyama	Schneiderlin	W-Prowse**	Lallana***	Do Prado*	Lambert	Rodriguez*	McQueen***
Sat 22	West Ham(A)	W 3-1	Boruc	Chambers	Fonte	Yoshida 1	Shaw	Cork*	Schneiderlin	S Davis**	Lallana	Rodriguez	Lambert***	Ramirez*	Gallagher***
MARCH															
Sat 1	Liverpool(H)	L 0-3	Boruc	Chambers	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Cork***	Schneiderlin	S Davis*	Lallana	Rodriguez	Lambert**	Ramirez*	Wanyama***
Sat 8	Crystal Palace(A)	W 1-0	Boruc	Clyne	Fonte	Lovren	Shaw	Cork*	Schneiderlin	S Davis***	Lallana	Rodriguez 1	Lambert**	Wanyama*	W-Prowse***
Sat 15	Norwich(H)														
Sat 22	Tottenham(A)														
Sat 29	Newcastle(H)														
APRIL															
Sat 5	Manchester City . . .(A)														
Sat 12	Cardiff(H)														
Sat 19	Aston Villa(A)														
Sat 26	Everton(H)														
MAY															
Sat 3	Swansea(A)														
Sun11	Man United(H)														

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PAULO GAZZANIGA	5(1)	0	0	0	16(1)	0	VICTOR WANYAMA	15(3)	0	1	0	16(3)	0	JAY RODRIGUEZ	26(2)	11	3(3)	2	54(16)	22
ARTUR BORUC	22	0	0	0	43	0	MORGAN SCHNEIDERLIN	25(1)	1	2(1)	0	194(30)	9	DANI OSVALDO	9(4)	3	0	0	9(4)	3
NATHANIEL CLYNE	14(4)	0	4	1	52(4)	2	ADAM LALLANA	29(1)	7	2(2)	1	230(26)	58	TADANARI LEE	0	0	2	0	9(5)	2
CALUM CHAMBERS	15(2)	0	2	0	17(3)	0	STEVEN DAVIS	19(5)	2	5(1)	2	47(17)	6	EMMANUEL MAYUKA	0	0	1	1	3(10)	1
DEJAN LOVREN	22	2	0	0	22	2	JAMES WARD-Prowse	12(14)	0	4(1)	0	26(27)	1	BILLY SHARP	0	0	0	0	12(6)	10
JOSE FONTE	26(1)	3	1(1)	0	168(5)	15	SAM MCQUEEN	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	SAM GALLAGHER	1(8)	0	0(2)	1	1(10)	1
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MAYA YOSHIDA	6(1)	1	6	1	45(2)	2	OMAR ROWE	0	0	0(2)	0	0(2)	0							
LUKE SHAW	26(1)	0	3	0	53(6)	0	JAKE SINCLAIR	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0							
DANNY FOX	3	0	3	0	58(10)	1	GASTON RAMIREZ	1(12)	1	4	2	25(18)	8							
JACK STEPHENS	0	0	0	0	0(1)	0	GULY DO PRADO	0(6)	0	3	1	80(34)	23							

KEY: LA: league appearances. LG: league goals. CA: cup appearances. CG: cup goals. CSA: career Saints appearances. CSG: career Saints goals.

SIX NATIONS RUGBY UNION

DELIGHT:
England's
Manu
Tuilagi cel-
ebrates a
try against
Italy.

England fail to close gap

ITALY 11 ENGLAND 52
ENGLAND'S hopes of claiming a first RBS 6 Nations title under Stuart Lancaster were left resting on events in Paris after Italy were crushed beneath a deluge of tries at the Stadio Olimpico.

Having failed to overhaul Ireland's superior points difference of plus 49, they were left requiring France to spoil Brian O'Driscoll's international farewell if they are to be crowned champions.

Southampton's Mike Brown continued his sensational Championship with a brace of tries decorating a fine individual contribution, while Owen Farrell, Jack Nowell, Mako Vunipola, Manu Tuilagi and Chris Robshaw also crossed in the 52-11 victory.

Once more Farrell's goal kicking was outstanding with the British and Irish Lion converting all seven tries and also slotting a penalty, but he was lucky to escape a late yellow card after tackling Edoardo Gori around the throat and wrestling him to the ground.

All week England had stated that winning was their only ambition for the climax to their Six Nations in Rome, but the attacking intent evident from the kick off told a different story.

At times they played with too much haste and the resulting lack of accuracy disrupted their momentum, preventing them from posting the necessary win-

ning margin to trouble Ireland on points difference.

A cagey opening saw Italy dominate possession and draw first blood with a long-range penalty from Luciano Orquera that was greeted with a mighty roar from the sell-out 80,000 crowd.



TRY DOUBLE: Mike Brown.

Farrell levelled the score with a penalty and the Red Rose went on the offensive, rapidly spinning the ball left and right as they probed for weaknesses.

A brilliant offload from Luther Burrell pierced Italy's defence with the Northampton centre's pass out of a tackle by Gonzalo Garcia finding Brown who switched on the afterburners and raced over.

Loosehead Mako Vunipola was penalised at a scrum and Orquera obliged with the three points to keep Italy in touch.

Brown was involved in just about every England move and when Burrell powered into space and fed Danny Care they looked on for a second try, but Italy's cover defence was solid.

Burrell and Care were prominent as England attacked again and this time they were able to cross the whitewash,

their scrum-half darting across field and sending Farrell in under the posts.

The floodgates were already opening and this time Farrell was the provider as he rode a tackle and expertly slipped a pass to Brown who galloped over.

Campagnaro took advantage of Burrell being caught out of position to break free amid a promising start to the second half from Italy, but England were soon back on the offensive.

The tempo was lifted but passes were failing to stick, number eight Ben Morgan knocking on at full tilt and Vunipola spilling forward.

Burrell went within a whisker of scoring but the ball was kicked from his grasp by an unconventional late tackle made out of hope rather than expectation.

Italy's problems mounted when Marco Bortolami was sin-binned for off-side and soon after their whitewash was breached for a fourth time, Nowell rounding off a backs move at a scrum.

Italy's defence was falling to pieces and they effectively waved England through for their next two tries with Vunipola and Tuilagi strolling over.

It was then the visitors' turn to blunder, however, with wing Leonardo Sarto picking off an intercept try from Joe Launchbury's pass.

The flow of tries had dried up, but there was still time for one more with captain Chris Robshaw taking Farrell's injury-time pass and coasting over.

DELIGHT:
England's
Jack
Nowell is
tackled by
Italy's
Leonardo
Ghiraldini
(right) and
Matias
Aguero
(left).



DETERMINATION:
England's Owen
Farrell (left) goes
forward despite
being tackled by
Italy's Joshua
Furno.



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QUOTES of the week

"It's been a huge part of my whole adult life and to leave here it's going to be hard. I feel humbled by the reaction today. It seems a bit of a joke that you get man of the match for 60 minutes, but I've loved my time playing in this jersey. It had to come to an end at some stage and I'm glad I'm able to go out at home with a big win." - the retiring Brian O'Driscoll following Ireland's 46-7 win over Italy.

"I think he has the talent, I think he has the skill to go with the English national side and play for the English national side. I think the call-up to the English national side by Roy Hodgson of Jay Rodriguez was deserved, and to actually win your place you need to deserve your place to be going to the tournament." - Southampton manager Mauricio Pochettino believes Jay Rodriguez's match-winning display against Crystal Palace shows he is worthy of a World Cup spot.

"I have to say I think it's bizarre. I've got two of my back four on the bus who won't play on Tuesday but I'm being criticised for them being on the floor. What on earth can I do about that if they've been kicked yet some of the fans said I was telling them to lie down."

NO TIME-WASTERS: Millwall manager Ian Holloway.

Never in a million years would I encourage anybody to be anything other than a brilliant professional and work hard and be honest and true." - Millwall manager Ian Holloway refuted claims that his team had used time-wasting tactics in their 1-0 win over Derby.

"He is the best footballer since Paul Gascoigne. If Paul Gascoigne had not done his knee he would have become the best player in the world. I played with Paul. I grew up with Paul. The only thing is that Ravel doesn't know who Paul Gascoigne is." - Birmingham manager Lee Clark heaped rich praise on Ravel Morrison for his match-winning performance as QPR won 2-0 at St Andrew's.

AT LONG LAST! THE

'You get nothing for free in this sport'

Simon Carter

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SPORTS EDITOR

THERE was a rare event at St Mary's this week.

A Saints chairman invited the *Southern Daily Echo* and other media outlets to the stadium for a 'get to know each other' lunch.

Ralph Krueger, the man who has just helped the Canadian ice hockey team win a Winter Olympic gold, was holding court in a manner his controversial predecessor never did.

Not once in his four and a half year reign as the man who made all the major decisions at Saints, did Nicola Cortese ever think to do something similar.

Contrastly, he banned the *Daily Echo* from sending reporters and photographers to games at St Mary's between December 2009-early March 2010 and from September 2010-September 2013.

We heard little from Cortese, and when we did the manner of his words was sometimes confrontational.

I'm sure some Saints fans didn't care much about the fact Cortese rarely gave interviews.

After all, the team was doing well for most of his watch.

But there were others who were angry at his way of doing business, angry at his way of 'communicating' with the supporters.

Angry that he never once held a fans' forum, in the way that another controversial chairman, Rupert Lowe, regularly did.

Angry that decisions were made without ever being publicly explained.

Angry that some popular ex-Saints players weren't made to feel welcome at St Mary's and, in Franny Benali's case, banned as well.

Cortese had his own style, yes, and Krueger has his.

They are polar opposites to each other.

"The single most important thing we have is the style of communication that is going to happen,"

POLAR OPPOSITES: Ralph Krueger, right, and Nicola Cortese, below. Far right: Katharina Liebherr.



Krueger told the invited journalists at St Mary's.

"To engage with the fans and interconnect with the fans and communicate with them openly.

"It doesn't always have to be friendly. Let's always do it if we have a losing streak going.

"It is not about just going out when the sun is shining."

As always, time will tell whether Krueger is true to his word.

At the moment, we have to

believe him.

He has now said those words, and we will hold him to them.

Krueger spoke at length this week, but without delving into too many specifics.

He claimed the Saints board will "do everything" they can to retain the club's best players when the next transfer window opens.

We wouldn't have expected him to say anything different.

This summer will be a key period

at St Mary's, with speculation already surrounding the future of some of the team's top stars, such as Luke Shaw.

Adam Lallana's elevation to the senior international England squad could well add a few more millions to any price tag placed around his neck, especially if he has a tournament to remember in Brazil.

The likes of Dejan Lovren, Jay Rodriguez and Calum Chambers

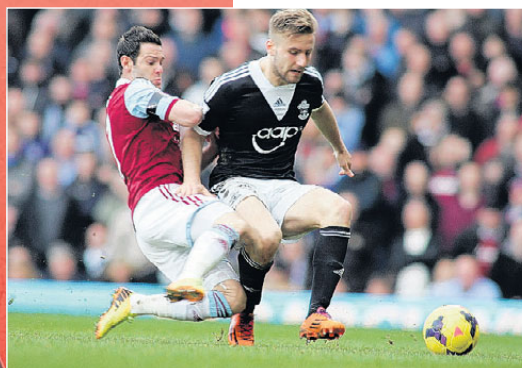
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CHAIRMAN SPEAKS!

‘Everyone has to know that we will work within our means’



“Everybody has to know that – we will work within our means.

“We will have a healthy organisation with no shortcuts. We are going to earn every single thing we do here, and we’re going to have to pay a price for that.

“You get nothing for free in this sport, because if you’re doing things with shortcuts and you’re looking for an easy street in major league sports, that tree will fall over. Those roots are unhealthy.

“So we want to build strong roots, we want to build a strong foundation and then, within that, we will do everything possible to retain the players as long as possible.

“We’re going to be transparent, but it’s too early in the process to specify what that means.”

What does all that mean?

Your guess is as good as mine.

The talk about strong foundations and strong roots is hardly a new train of thought at St Mary’s.

Lowe was saying similar things over a decade ago.

The landscape hasn’t changed that much either with regard to Saints’ best young players being in demand by ‘bigger’ clubs.

It was ever thus.

If Luke Shaw or Adam Lallana really want to leave Saints and sign for Chelsea or Manchester United, they will do so ... providing

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could also be wanted men after seeing their reputations improve notably in the last few months.

When asked what assurances he could give fans regarding turning down offers for the club’s prize assets, Krueger was happy to give an answer.

It probably wasn’t the one most supporters wanted to hear, though.

“We need to work within our means,” he said.

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“I signed a four-year contract and I’ve always been working myself towards that four-year contract. Whether contracts mean four years when you sign them or not, that’s not anything to do with me. That would be other people’s decisions. I shall be working hard to fulfil the contract and hope that the FA will fulfil their side of it.” - England manager Roy Hodgson urged the Football Association to allow him to honour his current contract, even if the national team fail to fire at this summer’s World Cup.

“When you get to quarter-finals and semi-finals, we haven’t been there since 1930. That’s a bit of the magic of the Cup. The magic of the FA Cup for me will never disappear.

The magic of it when you get to the big quarter-finals, semi-finals, finals – whether you’re a player, manager, coach (or) supporter you enjoy the occasion.” -

Hull boss Steve Bruce was delighted to reach the FA Cup semi-finals where they face Sheffield United.



FA CUP DELIGHT:
Hull City boss Steve Bruce.

“I am really proud. We set out attacking intent from the start. We didn’t get it right in the first half and Leigh Halfpenny punished us but overall I think we were deserving winners. They (Wales) got one over on us last year and that was in the back of our minds as well, but today is our day.” - England coach Stuart Lancaster was pleased to still be in the fight for the RBS 6 Nations title after his side claimed a 29-18 win over Wales at Twickenham.

“It’s the FA Cup, I don’t think you need to work too hard on getting people geared up, it’s the magic of the FA Cup. He (Wigan manager Uwe Rosler) told us to press them high and get in their faces, and they didn’t like it. I think it paid off. I don’t think there’s much better than scoring a late goal against Man City in the FA Cup, and it turned out to be the winning goal. Maybe we can prove a few people wrong again.” - James Perch admitted Wigan’s gameplan to take the attack to Manchester City paid huge dividends after the Latics once again ended the Sky Blues’ FA Cup hopes.

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BOOK of the WEEK

THE LOST WORLD OF FOOTBALL
BY DEREK HAMMOND & GARY SILKE

Sportsbookofthemoth.com price:
£19.99

IN 2012, Derek Hammond and Gary Silke wrote *Got, Not Got*, a wonderful evocation of a time when football was considerably less sullied than it is today.

The book struck a chord with fans, not necessarily because of the authors' yearning for an age when success was measured in terms of trophies instead of money, although that was important, but thanks to one additional master-stroke. *Got, Not Got* looked and felt like a football annual of old – a heavyweight, A4-sized publication that could have been printed in 1972.

The authors have built on their success and produced *The Lost World of Football*, a rare opportunity for greying supporters to remind themselves of why our national sport was once called 'the beautiful game'.

It opens with Hammond lamenting the fact that his son, born in 2000, will be unable to enjoy the innocence of a previous era, before reaching his damning conclusion. "One highly rewarding source of warm football feelings," he writes, "is rallying Against Modern Football, that soulless zombie animated only by a lust for cash instilled by its Frankenstein creators."

The introduction sets the scene for a heartfelt wander through a roughly two-decade spell (1970-90) when baby boomers embraced the game. The annual-sized publication, an inspired idea, permits us to suspend reality and to be 14 again.

The photography alone – bands on the pitch at the old Baseball Ground, Terry Venables playing with five youngsters in the street, the absence of sponsored shirts – evoke memories of a time when generating money was of only secondary importance to football clubs.

Lost World renews our acquaintance with games such as Blow Football, which deposited "four pints of saliva on mum's best tablecloth" after you had played. Nice. But true.

It reminds us of a time when players wore black football boots; when Esso gave away free FA Cup coins; when playing Subbuteo was an obsession. Remember *Goal* magazine? How about Spot The Ball? Each is recalled with great fondness.

Though the book is unashamedly aimed at middle-aged men who, as teenagers, once stood on the terraces wearing denim jackets, Ben Sherman shirts, jeans and boots, chanting and singing for 90 minutes, they should buy it to show their offspring how good football used to be before money and dodgy owners killed it.

We've teamed up with Sports Book of the Month & have a copy of *THE LOST WORLD OF FOOTBALL* to give away.

To win this week's sports book, go to their website (www.sports-bookofthemoth.com) and answer the following question:

What was the name of the football magazine into which *Goal* was incorporated in 1974?

KRUEGER DEBUT

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the buying club meets Saints' valuation.

If they don't want to leave, they won't leave.

The main difference now is that Saints have established themselves in the Premier League's top ten again.

Theo Walcott, Gareth Bale and Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain didn't have the carrot of top flight football dangling in front of them when they upped sticks from St Mary's.

Had the club been in the Premier League, perhaps none of them would have left when they did.

Luke Shaw does not have to leave Saints to get regular top flight football. He is getting it now.

Playing for Saints has also not stopped him winning a senior England cap.

Therefore, he would only leave to join one of the English elite in order to play regularly in European club games and win trophies and medals.

With the greatest will in the world, at present the best Saints can realistically hope for is to challenge for one of the two main cups.

That is why Mauricio Pochettino made the wrong move in fielding a below strength side in both defeats at Sunderland.

Still, let's not go over previous ground here.

This piece is all about the future.

A future with Ralph Krueger helping make the key decisions.

Off the pitch, he wants to grow Saints' brand on a global scale, but they must first close the "huge gap" that exists in their commercial standing.

"We have a huge gap between

where we are today and where we need to be commercially – a huge

gap," he said.

"That needs to be closed, so there is growth opportunity."

"I am not telling you everything is going to be easy. But we have a hell of a foundation."

Krueger added: "There's the local market, there's the inter-

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IS IMPRESSIVE



GRATEFUL: England boss Roy Hodgson hasn't been turning his nose up at Saints' stars.

national market, there's the work with sponsors and partners.

"I'm really excited to get involved and support that.

"It's going to be one of my major focuses, to support that arm of the organisation. The sky's the limit there."

That is most certainly true.

The Premier League has shown itself to be totally recession proof in recent times, and that appears an ongoing trend.

There is more money sloshing around in top flight clubs' bank accounts in terms of tv cash and prize monies.

The Premier League's global audience shows no signs of diminishing, so companies from around the world should be interested in jumping on the

gravy train.

Krueger added: "One of the areas I hope to be able to help the club in is growing outside of Southampton."

Saints' headline sponsorship deal with aap3 is up this summer and a new deal will either have to be struck, or a fresh sponsor found, which should offer one area where the club can quickly expand its commercial reach.

Perhaps Krueger will be looking to increase Saints' involvement with 'commercial partners'?

Manchester United have a raft of such partners in place, most of the them being brought on board in the last few years.

The Red Devils have over 20 contracts in place with the likes of DHL (Logistics and courier services), Honda (Motorcycles), Mister Potato (Savoury Snacks), Epson (Home and office equipment), Nike (Sportswear and

sporting goods) and Paul Smith (Clothing, not the former Saints goalkeeper), and Singha Beer and Smirnoff (Alcoholic beverages).

United's global brand is obviously bigger than Saints', but you need to start somewhere and Krueger certainly has worldwide contacts.

Could it be that he looks to improve Saints' 'brand' name in Canada, where his profile is high due to his recent ice hockey successes? It would make a great deal of sense.

Or how about in Switzerland or Germany, where he made his name as a player and coach in the sport?

Another often-used stick to beat Cortese with was his perceived lack of respect for Saints' history.

Not only did he engage in public spats with Benali and Matt Le

Tissier, he also insisted on occasions that the latter's name be taken out of articles appearing in the Saints programme.

Cortese also came in for criticism for changing Saints' traditional red and white stripes on the club's return to the Premier League for a mainly all-red kit that brought back memories of Liverpool's 1980s pinstripe outfit.

In addition, fans have been left bemused by the fact the annual pre-season Ted Bates Trophy friendly against foreign opposition disappeared without any explanation whatsoever.

Where is the Ted Bates Trophy now?

The one good thing Cortese did bring in, with more than a nod to Saints' history, was to insist on a white shirt with a red sash in 2010/11 to celebrate the club's 125th anniversary.

That was well received.

Now Krueger has his own views.

"I have always been one to embrace history," he said. "It can work for you, especially in sports."

"It is deeply rooted here, and generations of families have been coming to the Saints."

"Let's use that."

"But I am just speaking air right now. Let's do something about it."

Krueger, a Canadian-born German, added: "One of the things we, and I, respect tremendously is I'm coming to an organisation that's only 18 years younger than the country I was born in."

"That's a pretty amazing thing, being born in Canada and sitting here in front of you today."

"To come into an organisation that's 18 years younger than Canada, it's something that I respect tremendously, and that's going to be a powerful tool for us to use, and we just have to decide how it's best applied."

Sections of the fanbase will hope the new chairman means a return to the favoured red and white stripes, though Krueger did not make any specific comment regarding that.

So, to sum up, Ralph Krueger made an impressive debut at St Mary's this week.

Now we wait with interested to see what happens next.

As always, though, Saints' results will in part dictate what impression is eventually formed.

Krueger could bring back the stripes, he could welcome ex-players and managers with open arms, he could cut season ticket prices, he could engage the local business community with a beaming smile that his predecessor could never bring himself to do.

He could do all those things, and many more, but it could all be in vain if prize assets are sold and results start to dip off ...



Sports Quiz

1. The Orioles are a Major League baseball team from which American city?
2. Which city will stage this year's European Athletics Championships?
3. On how many occasions has six-time world snooker champion Steve Davis finished as runner-up at the Crucible?
4. Australian cricketer Jim Allenby plays for which county team?
5. In which year did four-time champions Sheffield United last win the FA Cup?
6. Which cricketer has scored the most Test runs this year?
7. What is the name of the lake that Formula One's Australian Grand Prix circuit is run around?
8. Who is Southampton's leading goalscorer in all competitions this season?
9. In which year did Ireland last beat France in a rugby union international in Paris?
10. Who won Great Britain's first medal at the Sochi Winter Olympics?
11. Which current Super League club dropped 'Northern' from their name in 1996?
12. The Valhalla Golf Club in Louisville will host which golf major this year?
13. What did Formula 1 driver Jaime Alguersuari achieve in Hungary in July 2009?
14. QPR midfielder Adel Taarabt, pictured, is currently on loan at which Serie A club?
15. With which sport would you associate Chris and Gabrielle Adcock?
16. How far did the England women's football team go in the recent Cyprus Cup?
17. Where does the new Formula 1 season begin on Sunday?
18. What was the aggregate score between Barcelona and Manchester City in this season's Champions League?
19. Who knocked Andy Murray out of the BNP Paribas Open at Indian Wells this week?
20. Who was given PGA Tour membership as part of a special temporary deal this week?

ANSWERS

1. Baltimore; 2. Zurich; 3. Twice; 4. Glamorgan; 5. 1925; 6. Kumar Sangakkara; 7. Albert Park Lake; 8. Jay Rodriguez (13); 9. 2000; 10. 12 The PGA Championship; 11. At Jenny Jones; 12. Bradford Bulls; 13. 1-0; 14. AC start a Grand Prix race; 15. AC lost to France in the final; 16. They were 1-1; 17. 1-1; 18. 1-1; 19. 1-1; 20. Jamie Donaldson.



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Saints Spotlight

Rooney is in a sweat over Suarez

WAYNE Rooney admits Manchester United's top priority when they face Liverpool in their Sunday clash will be to stop Luis Suarez – a player he regards as one of the very best on the planet.

United have enjoyed supremacy over their old foes over the last two decades, but the tables have turned this season, with United 11 points behind the Merseysiders, who are second in the Barclays Premier League.

A quick glance at the goals scored column shows why Brendan Rodgers has enjoyed a far more successful season than David Moyes.

Liverpool have scored 73 goals this term compared to United's total of 46.

Liverpool striker Suarez, who has developed a lethal partnership with Daniel Sturridge, has scored 24 goals this season, and Rooney has been impressed with the Uruguayan's form.

"Suarez, for me, is up there with Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo as one of the best players in the world," said the United striker, left.



"He has been that good and the two of them together have been in great form this season. We will

have to do everything we can to stop them on Sunday.

"I think they are both fantastic players and obviously it is good to see Sturridge doing well because he has never really had a chance at his previous clubs.

"Brendan Rodgers has given him a chance and he has taken it with both hands. That is good for England as well."

Robin van Persie fired United to the title by scoring 26 goals last season, but he and Rooney have only managed 11 each this term.

Injuries have curbed the playing time for both players, but now they are fit - and have also committed their respective futures to the club - Rooney hopes the goals will start coming again for the duo.

"We can do better and if we are not at the top of the league then that will get looked at and we understand that," Rooney said.

"We can score more goals and we know we can. We are working hard to do that, we have to keep going and hopefully that will come."

Whether it was part of a move to relieve pressure on his players or not, Moyes was moved to suggest that United are underdogs for this weekend's fixture - one he regards as the biggest in the country.

SOUTH COAST VISITS



TEEN STAR: Gareth Bale celebrates his equaliser against Norwich in 2006/07.

SAINTS were welcoming Norwich to St Mary's this weekend, aiming to build on an impressive home record against the Canaries.

Here, the Sports Pink looks back at all the league meetings at The Dell and St Mary's.

March 24 1954
Saints 0 Norwich 0
The only Division 3 South game

of the season that was played at The Dell that Saints failed to score in.

The hosts ended the season sixth, level on points with seventh placed Norwich.

March 26 1955
Saints 3 Norwich 1
After going behind early on, Eric Day's brace, including a penalty, put Saints ahead before John Flood added a third.



COME ON, REF: Inigo Idiakez appeals for a decision during Saints' home loss to Norwich in January 2008.

April 21 1956
Saints 2 Norwich 5
On a day when Doug Logan made his debut for the club, Saints took the lead in the ninth minute with an Eric Day penalty. Norwich promptly scored twice before Derek Reeves equalised in the 49th minute.

The visitors went on to score three more, including a brace for Johnny Gavin, avenging Saints' 4-1 win at Carrow Road the previous month.

October 3 1956
Saints 2 Norwich 0
Two goals from Jimmy Shields – who netted 18 Division 3 South goals that season – sentenced Norwich to another defeat en route to finishing bottom of the table while Saints finished fourth.

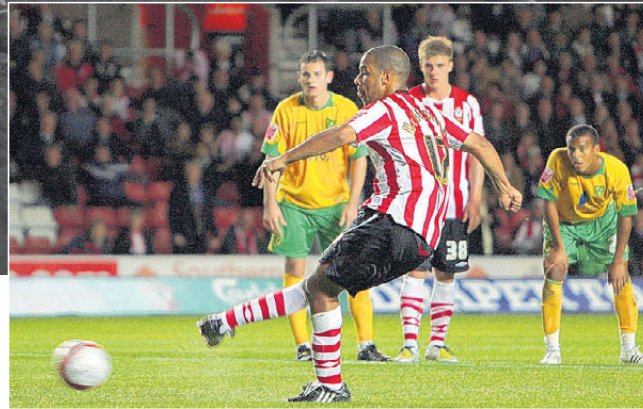
December 14 1957
Saints 7 Norwich 3
Saints were 3-0 up inside 12 minutes thanks to goals from Don

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OFTEN END IN TEARS



SPOT OF BOTHER: Stern John, right, has just missed a penalty as Saints lose to Norwich in January 2008.

THAT'S HOW TO DO IT: David McGoldrick converts from 12 yards as Saints beat the Canaries in September 2008.

Roper (2) and Derek Reeves.

Jimmy Moran reduced the arrears to 3-2 before Reeves netted again before half-time.

Terry Paine struck twice in the second half with John Hoskins adding the seventh – and there were still 21 minutes left at that point.

This was the season Saints rattled in a club record 112 goals in 46 Division 3 South games.

October 18 1958

Saints 1 Norwich 1

Ken Birch scored Saints' penalty leveller in the first half.

**August 22 1959
Saints 2 Norwich 2**

Cliff Huxford and George O'Brien made their Saints debuts on the opening day of the club's Division 3 South title winning campaign.

Derek Reeves put Saints ahead with the first of his 39 league goals that term.

After Norwich levelled, John Sydenham restored Saints' lead before the visitors hit back again.

Saints ended the season champions by two points, with Norwich runners-up and also automatically promoted.

**October 29 1960
Saints 2 Norwich 2**

Derek Reeves and George O'Brien scored for Saints, who were denied a Division 2 victory by a controversial late penalty

which saw some home fans invade the Dell pitch at the final whistle.

**October 21 1961
Saints 2 Norwich 2**

Tommy Mulgrew and Derek Reeves had put Saints 2-0 up inside the first 23 minutes.

**December 1 1962
Saints 3 Norwich 1**

George Kirby, Dave Burnside and George O'Brien were on target. *Continued on page 16*

Tottenham trio struggle to be fit

EMMANUEL Adebayor, Kyle Walker and Mousa Dembele are all struggling to be fit for Tottenham's big Sunday north London derby clash with Arsenal.

Adebayor (knee/ankle) and Walker (groin) featured in Thursday's Europa League defeat to Benfica but are a doubt to face the Gunners, while right-back Walker (groin) could also miss out.

Captain Michael Dawson will be absent due to a hamstring injury sustained in last week-end's 4-0 defeat at Chelsea, joining Etienne Capoue (ankle), Erik Lamela and Vlad Chiriches (both back) on the sidelines. Gylfi Sigurdsson (foot) could be involved after training on Friday, while Danny Rose (knee) may return to the starting line-up having featured from the bench on Thursday.

Christian Eriksen knows Tottenham need to raise their game if they are to secure a morale-boosting victory.

A tumultuous campaign appears to be coming to a head at White Hart Lane, with the pressure on manager Tim Sherwood and his players mounting after abject back-to-back defeats.

The Spurs boss publicly criticised his players after Saturday's embarrassing 4-0 defeat to Chelsea and then saw his side humbled 3-1 by Benfica in the first leg of their Europa League last-16 tie.

That defeat means Tottenham are likely to face another year without a trophy, and while Sherwood could not fault his players' desire after Thursday's match, midfielder Eriksen was angered by the performance.

"I think everybody agrees it was a disappointing night," said the Denmark international, whose fine free-kick had made it 2-1 in the second half.

"I think my goal gave us a boost but unfortunately only for a few minutes. Then they got the ball again and then we had to run even more.

"They played well and they played maybe how we should play, but we didn't."

"I think they were really good, did really good running. Way much more than we are used to.

"But we were just not good enough on the ball. When we got it, we couldn't keep it and they were really good on the ball."

The way Spurs were out-classed is hardly the ideal preparation for what looks set to be a season-defining north London derby.

Defeat to Arsenal would be a hammer blow to hopes of Sherwood's men sneaking into the top four, while Arsene Wenger's side would likely see their title hopes go up in smoke should they lose.



ADEBAYOR

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Football tables

SKILL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton	35	22	11	2	83	25	77
Cambridge Utd	34	17	11	6	51	23	62
Alfreton Town	36	19	4	13	54	54	61
Nuneaton	37	17	9	11	47	48	60
Barnet	36	16	9	11	47	39	57
Gateshead	36	15	10	11	54	46	55
FC Halifax	36	15	9	12	70	54	54
Grimsby	32	15	9	8	48	33	54
Kidderminster	35	16	6	13	54	53	54
Salisbury	36	16	6	14	45	51	54
Brantree Town	31	15	7	9	43	28	52
Welling	35	14	10	11	49	43	52
Forest Green	34	15	6	13	66	49	51
Macclesfield	34	14	6	14	51	47	48
Woking	36	14	6	16	48	55	48
Wrexham	36	13	8	15	51	52	47
Lincoln City	37	12	11	14	48	52	47
Hereford	36	10	11	15	38	51	41
Chester FC	36	9	12	15	38	56	39
Southport	35	10	7	18	33	52	37
Aldershot	35	12	10	13	54	29	36
Dartford	36	9	6	21	39	62	33
Tamworth	35	8	8	19	33	56	32
Hyde	37	1	6	30	33	99	9

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bromley	31	20	3	8	62	35	63
Eastleigh	29	19	4	6	46	28	61
Ebbsfleet Utd	31	16	9	6	53	30	57
Sutton Utd	30	16	8	6	54	28	56
Weston-S-Mare	32	14	6	12	42	42	48
Dover	30	14	5	11	47	27	47
Bath City	33	12	11	10	45	40	47
Eastbourne Boro	30	13	7	10	37	38	46
B Stortford	26	12	7	7	46	39	43
Widcham	25	11	8	6	40	28	41
Basingstoke	29	12	5	12	41	34	41
Concord Rangers	27	11	8	8	41	40	41
Staines Town	30	11	6	13	36	48	39
Boreham Wood	29	9	8	12	47	39	35
Chelmsford	30	10	4	16	34	55	34
Farnborough	30	10	3	17	42	60	33
Maidenhead Utd	30	7	8	15	38	48	29
Hayes & Yead	28	9	2	17	33	37	29
Whitehawk	29	7	15	5	37	52	28
Gosport Borough	26	7	5	14	24	40	26
Tonbridge	27	7	5	15	33	57	26
Dorchester	30	7	5	18	29	66	26

CALOR SOUTHERN LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hemel Hempst	35	26	4	5	109	27	82
Chesham Utd	34	23	4	7	85	39	73
St Albans City	36	20	8	8	74	43	68
Cambridge City	33	20	6	7	70	40	66
Stourbridge	34	18	5	11	88	42	59
Bideford	36	16	11	9	62	45	59
Poole Town	27	15	9	3	50	27	51
Corby Town	32	15	6	11	51	45	51
Hungerford	31	15	5	11	52	34	50
Arlesey Town	36	13	8	15	55	60	47
Hitchin Town	33	13	7	13	53	40	46
Redditch	34	14	3	17	47	70	45
Weymouth	32	13	4	15	49	65	43
Biggleswade	31	10	13	8	52	40	43
St Neots Tn	35	12	6	17	58	60	42
Burnham	33	11	8	14	47	61	41
Frome Town	34	11	7	16	43	59	40
Banbury	33	12	4	17	51	74	40
Truro City	34	11	9	15	48	69	39
Chippenham	34	11	5	18	45	67	38
AFC Totton	33	6	4	23	43	100	22
Bashley	31	4	3	24	27	85	15
Bedford Tn	35	3	5	27	37	104	14

SYDENHAMS WESSEX LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Alresford	30	22	3	5	97	40	69
Winchester	34	22	3	9	80	34	69
Sholing	25	22	2	1	91	17	68
*Folland	33	19	7	7	72	41	61
Newport (IOW)	31	17	7	7	77	39	58
Blackfield & L	31	18	4	9	64	46	58
Bemerton HH	34	18	3	13	85	57	57
Portchester	27	13	10	4	61	49	49
Whitchurch	28	14	6	8	47	35	48
*Moneyfields	29	14	8	7	48	37	44
Lymington Tn	33	13	4	16	59	74	43
Brookhurst	30	10	7	13	53	67	37
Fareham Tn	24	10	6	8	48	54	36
Hamworthy	30	10	6	14	53	63	36
Horndean	31	9	6	16	47	69	33
Bournemouth	31	8	5	18	46	68	29
Verwood Tn	29	7	7	15	33	49	28
Christchurch	28	8	4	16	40	64	28
Totton & Eling	32	8	2	24	39	82	24
Romsey Town	34	5	6	23	36	89	21
Fawley	30	5	5	20	39	86	20
Downton	34	4	7	23	38	102	19

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Andover Tn	23	19	1	3	84	24	58
Cowes Sports	21	15	2	4	62	29	47
Petersfield Tn	18	14	4	0	80	21	46
Hythe & D	21	13	2	6	54	27	41
Town Solent	19	12	4	3	65	29	40
Pewsey Vale	20	10	2	8	58	30	32
Tadley Calvea	20	9	5	6	36	30	32
Armsbury Tn	19	9	1	9	37	39	28
New Milton Tn	23	8	1	14	51	52	25
Laversstock	18	7	2	9	27	34	23
US Portsmouth	16	6	3	7	27	30	21
Fleet Spurs	20	10	2	15	38	69	20
Ringswood Tn	21	5	1	15	31	72	16
East Cowes	21	4	3	14	29	81	15
Andover NS	20	4	0	16	21	77	12
*Hayling	19	2	3	14	26	68	8
*Deduction							

Tables do not include today's games

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March 24 1964 Saints 3 Norwich 0

Watched by England boss Alf Ramsey, Martin Chivers opened the scoring just after ten minutes with one of his 21 league goals that season. John Sydenham made it 2-0 before half-time and George O'Brien completed the scoring.

March 27 1965 Saints 1 Norwich 0

Joe Mullett's own goal gave Saints the points.

February 26 1966 Saints 2 Norwich 2

Martin Chivers' double put Saints into a 2-0 half-time lead.

But Bill Punton's leveller denied Ted Bates' men another victory en route to promotion to the top flight.

November 4 1972 Saints 1 Norwich 0

Bob McCarthy's first half goal – his only strike in 31 Division 1 outings that season – separated the two clubs at The Dell.

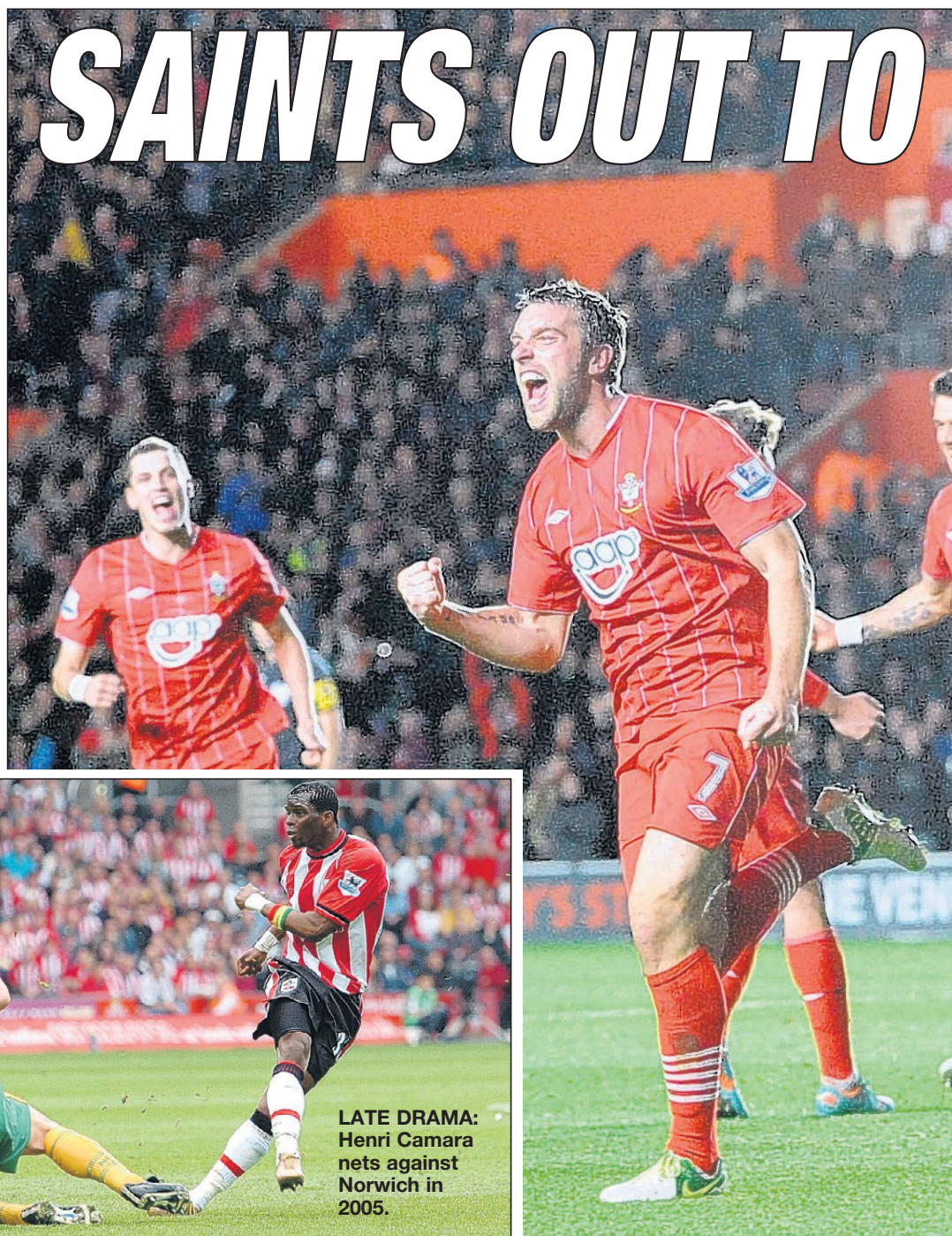
September 4 1973 Saints 2 Norwich 2

Paul Gilchrist scored in both the first and the last minutes in the fourth game of the season.

In between, Jim Steele had put through his own goal and David Cross had given the Canaries a half-time lead.

Both clubs would go on to be relegated.

SAINTS OUT TO



LATE DRAMA: Henri Camara nets against Norwich in 2005.



August 27 1974 Saints 1 Norwich 1

Colin Suggett's late leveller gave Norwich a point after Hughie Fisher's long range effort had put Saints ahead.

Strangely, both Saints v Norwich games in Division 2 that season took place in August.

November 11 1978 Saints 2 Norwich 2

Saints were again denied victory late on, Colin Powell levelling.

Nick Holmes and Chris Nicholl had twice put the hosts ahead, with Jimmy Neighbour providing the first equaliser.

March 29 1980 Saints 2 Norwich 0

Saints won with goals in the last 18 minutes from Chris Nicholl and Graham Baker.

Ivan Katalinic made his Saints debut and pulled off some exceptional saves to keep a clean sheet.

February 7 1981 Saints 2 Norwich 1

Steve Williams opened the scoring with a great solo goal before Charlie George added a second to seal Saints' fifth successive top flight victory.

February 5 1983 Saints 4 Norwich 0

Steve Williams again opened the scoring before half-time.

Nick Holmes, Danny Wallace and Steve Moran also scored in a fine

second half display.

March 3 1984 Saints 2 Norwich 1

A scrappy game won thanks to goals from David Armstrong and Dave Puckett.

September 15 1984 Saints 2 Norwich 1

Joe Jordan headed Saints into a first minute lead before Dave Watson put through his own goal. Saints went onto finish fifth in Division 1 while League Cup winners Norwich were relegated.

February 7 1987 Saints 1 Norwich 2

Norwich claimed the first league win at The Dell since the mid 1950s

thanks to goals from Mike Phelan and Kevin Drinkell.

Glenn Cockerill had bagged a second half leveller.

January 23 1988 Saints 0 Norwich 0

Another goalless stalemate in a season where Norwich finished fourth in the top flight.

February 27 1990 Saints 4 Norwich 1

Matt Le Tissier bagged a second half hat-trick after the Canaries had taken a half-time lead.

The pick of the goals, however, is Kevin Moore's 25-yard volley.

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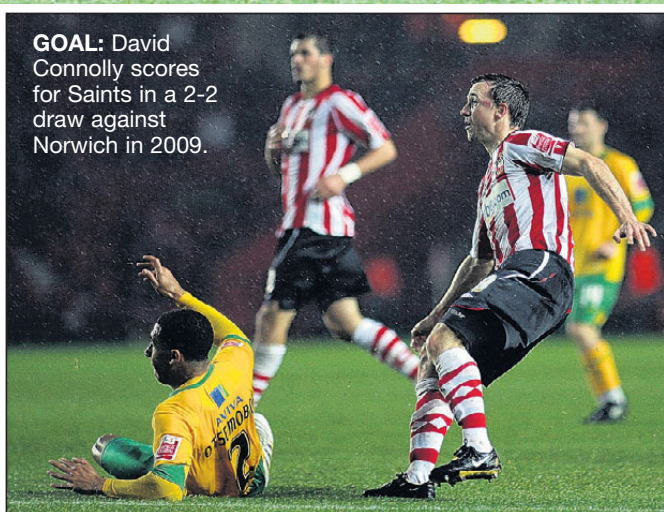
KEEP RECORD

GOAL: Adam Lallana scores against Norwich in 2009.



GOAL: Rickie Lambert wheels away after putting Saints ahead against Norwich last season.

GOAL: David Connolly scores for Saints in a 2-2 draw against Norwich in 2009.



August 28 1990
Saints 1 Norwich 0
A John Polston own goal gives Saints victory in their first home game of the new season.

October 19 1991
Saints 0 Norwich 0

February 10 1993
Saints 3 Norwich 0
Richard Hall and Mick Adams scored in the first half with Nicky Banger adding a late third. Norwich went on to finish third in the first ever Premier League.

January 1 1994
Saints 0 Norwich 1
Ian Branfoot's last game in charge as manager at The Dell ends in

defeat, Chris Sutton scoring the only goal.

Francis Benali is sent off in the second half.

November 2 1994
Saints 1 Norwich 1

Matt Le Tissier's 89th minute penalty salvages a point for Saints after Mark Robins had opened the scoring.

Norwich are relegated at the end of the season.

April 30 2005
Saints 4 Norwich 3

Henri Camara settled a memorable late-season encounter at St Mary's.

Camara popped up in the 88th minute to give Saints a dramatic success against one of their main relegation rivals.

A frantic first half had ended 3-3 with Matt Oakley, Peter Crouch and Graeme Le Saux on target for Saints.

A few weeks later both clubs were relegated.

August 20 2005
Saints 1 Norwich 0

Nigel Quashie's 15th minute penalty settled the game.

December 16 2006
Saints 2 Norwich 1

Robert Earnshaw put Norwich ahead on 21 minutes, but Gareth Bale levelled before half-time and Kenwyne Jones struck a second half winner.

January 29 2008
Saints 0 Norwich 1

Ched Evans scored the only goal on the stroke of half-time.

September 30 2008
Saints 2-0 Norwich

Loanee striker Jordan Robertson put Saints ahead before half-time with a fin strike on his debut.

After Dejan Stefanovic was sent off for Norwich, David McGoldrick scored the resulting penalty.

Both teams were relegated to League One that season.

November 21 2009
Saints 2 Norwich 2

Adam Lallana and David Connolly twice put Saints ahead in the sides' first third tier meeting since 1959/60.

Wes Hoolahan and Stephen Hughes twice levelled.

November 28 2012
Saints 1 Norwich 1

Rickie Lambert put Saints ahead before Robert Snodgrass' free-kick slipped through Paolo Gazzaniga's grasp for the equaliser.

Football tables

PUMA ENGINEERING HAMPSHIRE PREMIER LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Overton United	21	13	2	6	48	33	41
Liphook United	24	12	4	8	65	47	40
Winch Castle	21	12	3	6	43	29	39
Locks Heath	18	11	5	2	44	22	38
*Headley	22	11	6	5	49	30	38
Cranfield	20	11	3	6	61	38	36
Baffins Milton	16	8	6	2	40	22	30
Otterbourne	19	9	1	9	37	34	28
Paulsgrove	22	8	4	10	38	39	28
C Common	18	8	3	7	40	31	27
AFC Stoneham	21	8	3	10	38	39	27
Liss Athletic	21	6	4	11	36	47	22
Hedge End Rs	21	6	6	10	35	43	21
Fleetlands	18	5	3	10	35	58	18
Aldermaston	18	3	6	9	28	44	15
OK Soton	18	4	3	11	32	52	15
Bournemouth	20	3	2	15	20	81	11

DREW SMITH SOUTHAMPTON LEAGUE Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Comrades	12	9	0	3	43	9	27
Netley Central	14	7	3	4	27	20	24
BTC Soton	12	6	3	3	18	19	21
Cadnam United	8	6	2	0	26	5	20
Bishopstoke	12	6	1	5	26	35	19
Soton University	14	3	5	6	25	30	14
Nursling	8	3	1	4	18	13	10
Hedge End Town	12	3	0	9	27	37	9
AFC Hittingbury	14	2	1	11	8	46	7

Senior 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AFC Grains	13	12	1	0	52	9	37
Solent Saints	13	12	0	1	37	10	36
Burridge AFC	14	7	2	5	28	24	23
Riverside	12	6	0	6	35	23	18
Harefield	16	5	1	8	28	17	17
Comrades Res	14	5	1	8	21	32	16
Q K Soton Res	13	4	3	6	26	35	15
BTC Soton Res	15	3	2	10	19	46	11
Durley Res	14	2	1	11	9	66	7

Junior 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Gulf Western	11	10	0	1	47	11	30
Chamberlayne	11	9	1	1	38	14	28
Lowford	13	5	2	6	36	34	17
West Totton	10	5	1	4	18	15	16
Chandlers Ford	16	4	3	9	29	33	15
Langley Manor	9	4	0	5	20	22	12
Osborne	11	3	1	7	20	47	10
FC Wellington	11	2	3	6	12	27	9
Compton	10	2	3	5	18	35	9

Junior 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Braishfield	11	9	0	2	33	17	27
Montefiore Halls	12	7	2	3	31	24	23
Warsash Wasps	12	5	4	3	22	17	19
Compton Res	9	3	5	1	22	15	14
Applewood	12	4	2	6	31	32	14
London Airways	11	4	1	6	15	29	13
Botley Village	11	3	1	7	23	32	10
B Waltham Dy	7	1	3	3	13	17	6
Hamble United	9	2	0	7	16	24	6

Junior 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AFC Botley	12	12	0	0	47	4	36
Priory Rovers	14	8	2	4	40	35	26
Capital	13	7	3	3	29	24	24
Wellow	11	4	3	4	27	26	15
Inmar	13	3	3	7	26	39	12
Otterbourne A	14	3	3	8	27	44	12
AFC Phoenix XI	12	2	5	5	25	32	11
AFC Testwood	13	2	1	10	22	39	7

Junior 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ath Romsey	13	8	2	3	40	12	26
Sp Wessex	10	7	2	1	36	15	23
New Forest	8	7	1	0	32	9	22
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Weston City	9	1	3	5	14	38	6

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Thompson FC	14	8	3	3	56	28	27
FC White Horse	11	8	1	2	31	18	25
New Forest Res	8	7	0	1	39	11	21
Upham Res	11	6	1	4	35	43	19
Braishfield Res	16	5	1	10	31	54	16
Waltham Wolves	10	4	1	5	19	33	13
Shield FC	9	2	0	7	17	37	6
Michelmarsh A	12	1	1	10	19	41	4
Hamble Utd Res	10	1	0	9	15	33	3

Veterans A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sporting BTC	10	9	0	1	37	5	27
Hythe Aztecs	9	9	0	0	31	4	27
Golden Common	13	9	0	4	29	22	27
BTC Soton Vet A	12	8	0	4	17	24	24
Hedge End R	12	7	1	4	16	8	22
Follands	13	7	1	5	16	16	22
Locks Heath	11	6	0	5	29	20	18
Baddesley Park	12	3	1	8	13	33	10
Woolston	18	1	1	16	13	42	4
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SKRILL CONFERENCE SOUTH: Eastleigh 4 Bishops Stortford 2

Eastleigh are top of league



TREBLE TRIUMPH: Ben Wright celebrates his hat-trick clincher, right.

Pics: Chris Moorhouse



ELATED Eastleigh are enjoying the view from the top of the Skril Conference South after finally reeling in long-term leaders Bromley.

While the Kent side stumbled yet again, this time beaten 2-1 at Farnborough, the Spitfires were busy beating ten-man Bishops Stortford at the Silverlake Stadium.

Man of the match Ben Wright helped himself to a hat-trick as Richard Hill's men moved a point clear at the top with two games in hand of their rivals.

The Spitfires stuck with the same starting line-up from Tuesday's 1-0 win over Chelmsford.

Jai Reason and Jamie Collins featured on the bench after suspension and injury respectively.

The game got off to an indifferent start on a gloriously sunny Spring afternoon. Eastleigh's best early effort was a dangerously swerving Michael Green free kick cleared by the bandaged head of centre-back Callum McNaughton.

Then, on seven minutes, home defender Chris Dillon – starting again in place of Chris Todd – played a sloppy ball out of defence which fell to Harry Baker who fired wide.

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But it took the Spitfires just 12 minutes to get their noses in front when **CRAIG McALLISTER** put the finishing touch to Green's cross from the left.

There was more trouble to come for Stortford.

With McNaughton off having treatment after re-opening a pre-existing head wound, teammate Jordan Brown got himself sent off.

He and Eastleigh right-back Dan Spence went in for a 50-50 ball just to the right of the home dugout. Spence was caught and in some pain, prompting Boston referee Stephen Ross to pull out a straight red for the visiting left back.

Stortford reshuffled by withdrawing Baker and bringing on defender George Allen with 21 minutes gone.

Three minutes later their catastrophic opening to the game took a turn for the better when they equalised with the softest of goals.

With Eastleigh seemingly snoozing in the sunshine, the patched-up McNaughton headed a tame Matt Johnson cross goalwards and

ANTHONY CHURCH nipped in front of goalkeeper Ross Flitney to net a shock equaliser.

It was a goal that never should have happened but Eastleigh regained their composure to retake the lead on 32 minutes.

Craig McAllister controlled a long bouncing ball down the middle, looked up and played a perfectly weighted pass into the path of **BEN WRIGHT**.

With at least three visiting defenders helpless to stop him, the on-loan Salisbury striker strode on and flicked the ball past exposed keeper Joe Lumley to make it 2-1.

Half-time:
EASTLEIGH 2
BISHOP STORTFORD 1

The game took another surprise twist on 53 minutes when ten-man Stortford unexpectedly levelled again, this time from the penalty spot.

Flitney came tearing out to the edge of his area to deal with the threat of Cliff Akurang on the right.

The striker went down comfortably outside the area but the referee pointed to the spot and booked Flitney.

Skipper **REECE PRESTEDGE** arrowed a powerful spot kick into Flitney's bottom left-hand corner.

But once again Eastleigh picked themselves up

and took the lead for a third time with 57 minutes gone.

Stuart Fleetwood found Spence to the right of goal and the full-back laid it back for **WRIGHT** to sweep in his second of the game.

On 71 minutes **WRIGHT** greedily completed his hat-trick at the back stick after Stuart Fleetwood had weaved his way enticingly along the opposite byline and teed him up with a perfect cross.

It was the first time Eastleigh had hit four in the league all season and it so nearly became five two minutes later when Reason, on for Reece Connolly, floated the ball in from the right and Wright caught it superbly on the volley, drawing a smart block from Lumley.

With confidence flooding through the home ranks, Spence went close from distance before Wright departed to a hero's reception to be replaced by Yemi Oduade.

To their credit, the ten-man Bishops never gave up and Michael Richens wasn't too far wide with a bold strike from 25 yards.

With a minute of normal time remaining, Stortford's Church was booked for a foul on Reason on the right edge of the box, but Green couldn't make the most of the free kick.

But by then it was all academic as the title-chasing Spitfires notched up another important win.

Non-league Football

Non-league News

Town's double swoop is a family affair

VERWOOD Town have completed the signing of brothers Leighton, below, and Mitchell Speechley-Price.

The pair were involved last Saturday as a threadbare Potters side slipped to a narrow 1-0 Sydenhams Premier Division defeat at leaders Winchester City.

Verwood battled manfully but were ultimately undone by Chris Mason's second-half strike as their winless league run stretched to five games.

Potters boss Adie Arnold was satisfied with the application of his troops but crestfallen by the gulf in quality between the 'haves' and 'have-nots' of the Wessex top flight.

"We had a full squad of 16 players on Thursday night but, by Friday, I was down to 11 or 12 with three of my back four unavailable," he said.

"We knew it would be difficult and there was a lot of huff and puff, but we lacked the quality you need at a place like Winchester.

"The lads gave me everything I could have asked for.

"In terms of work-rate and desire it was 100 per cent but, as well as we did, the quality told in the end.

"With the bodies we had out I would probably have accepted a narrow defeat, but it was hard to drive home with time to reflect on it.

"There was very little we could do in the circumstances. With nothing to play with, all we could do was give our all and hope for the best, which was frustrating."

Leighton Speechley-Price, who played the whole 90 minutes at Winchester, is a familiar face on the Wessex/Southern League circuit counting Sholing, Bashley, Blackfield & Langley, Cowes Sports, Fawley AFC, Lymington Town, Ringwood and Whitchurch among his many former clubs.

More recently the 6ft 5in frontman has been with Sydenhams One leaders Andover Town.

His younger brother Mitchell, a winger, is just 16 years of age.



WE'D BE BETTER OFF GETTING RELEGATED *

*** But Millers co-boss Hussey will "give everything to stay up"**

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TOTTEN & Eling co-boss Stuart Hussey believes it would be in the club's best interests to drop down from the Sydenhams Premier Division.

Hussey and his brother/co-boss Matt are in the unusual position of doing their best to help stave off relegation in the short-term while suspecting that long-term staying up could be a recipe for disaster.

In his heart of hearts, younger brother Stuart feels the realistic way forward would be to take one step back, rebuild in Division One and hopefully return to the Wessex top flight all the stronger as the likes of Folland Sports and Brockenhurst have done.

Even though Hussey has pledged to "battle and fight and give everything to stay up", he can't help but conclude that the Millers are currently ill-equipped to be a Sydenhams Premier club.

The promising 22-strong squad he and Matt assembled last summer dwindled away through a combination of injuries and general disinterest, since when the Husseys have had to rebuild the side twice over.

Helpers

And although team spirit is now as good as it's been all year with the current crop "treating every game like a cup final," Hussey says that, off the field, it's a day-to-day struggle to survive.

Apart from managing the Millers, the Husseys have also helped out financially. Their mum washes the kit and, with a chronic shortage of helpers around, Stuart's 12-year-old daughter assists around the ground on matchdays.

"It's a job in itself to keep the club afloat, let alone move it forward," admitted the younger brother.

"Earlier in the season Matt and I lent the club around £350 to pay a water bill and we've also paid for five-a-side training facilities.

"Two weeks ago I bought match and training balls, which the club will sort me out for, but how can we move forward when we can't afford the day-to-day running costs?"

"I don't mind helping out but I couldn't say, being involved as I am, that Totton & Eling are up to being a Wessex Premier club with the state they've been left in in the last year or two.

"Me and Matt don't paper over the cracks, we tell it like it is and sometimes you've got to hold your hands



Player exits have brought squad closer – Cuss

STEVE Cuss reckons his Wimborne Town side have been galvanised – despite trimming the numbers.

Last month Aidan Sainsbury and Pat Wilson followed experienced defender Gary Middleton through the Cuthbury exit door just as the Magpies were gearing up for a tough run of Southern One South & West fixtures.

Now, having got Wimborne's season back on track (with three wins from the last four matches), Cuss reckons he has the right blend even though the squad is numerically depleted.

"The atmosphere in the dressing room is fantastic at the moment," he said.

"It is never easy to deal with when you have to let players go, but the rest have handled it superbly well.

"In a way it helps that the players are fully aware they may be needed for 90 minutes week after week. If anything, it has brought us closer together."

"There is a good spirit in the camp and we're enjoying our football."

Wimborne pulled an excellent win out of the bag last Saturday, beating North Leigh 2-1 at Cuthbury with goals by George Webb and Sam Griffin.

North Leigh dominated possession, but the Magpies defended well and had more of a cutting edge.

"We have been hard to play against of late and how we defended without the ball was key," said Cuss.

ON TARGET: George Webb, right.

up and say that, unless a Fairy Godmother comes along to sprinkle a bit of gold-dust, maybe the best thing would be to regroup in Division One.

After winning promotion as Wessex One champions in 2008/09, T&E initially did well, finishing seventh and winning the Russell Cotes Cup the following season.

But since moving from Southern Gardens to a new ground at Millers Park, they have had no clubhouse or bar to raise revenue, the committee has shrunk and practically the whole side assembled by former boss Kev Dawtry has moved on.

"With the greatest of respect, the era of the club being a nucleus of mates all playing together has gone and we're now in exactly the same

boat as (fellow strugglers) Romsey, Downton and Fawley – except they've got something we haven't with lots of people helping off the pitch," said Hussey.

"We've got (director of football) Andy Tipp, (chairman) Angus Steel and (secretary) Chas Wood, but that's it and, whereas the other clubs seem to be bringing players in, we're struggling.

"Given all that's happened, I said finishing third to bottom would be a good season for us, but from a financial and regrouping aspect, I can't help thinking the club would do better off going down.

"That way they could concentrate on trying to get a bar in place, getting more people involved and bringing young players through, without hav-

ing to worry about the financial cost of playing every Saturday and Tuesday.

"If we stay up I don't see how it will change or how the club can go through another season like this.

"I will be here 100 per cent until the end of this season. Beyond that, it depends which way we go. If I thought it was going to be like this again, I wouldn't do it.

"I've enjoyed working with Matt and (coach) Dave Puckett, but I haven't enjoyed struggling to get a team on the pitch every week.

"We've worked just as hard here as we did at Winchester City and Lymington Town, but we've had no luck at all and, with no money, it's hard to compete with even the mid-table sides."



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POWER OF THE PRESS

Opposition match report on Eastleigh win boosts Hill

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WHEN Eastleigh feature in opposition newspaper reports, the words "big spending" invariably precede their name.

So it came as a welcome change for manager Richard Hill to read the *Essex Chronicle* account of Tuesday's 1-0 win over Chelmsford City which featured on the Clarets' website.

"I'd like to say how that report was, it was so refreshing to read," said the Spitfires boss.

"All it reported was the facts about the game.

"There were no remarks about our budget, about the money our players are earning or that we're supposedly full-time.

"It described the game as one of the most one-sided you'll ever see and said good luck to Eastleigh, they're a quality side.

"It was brilliant. There were no quotes, no outside issues mentioned and nothing trying to justify why Chelmsford hadn't won.

"It was just a straight-forward match report saying the best team won. Credit to them for that."

Hill, pictured below, couldn't have agreed more with Chelmsford's take on Eastleigh's performance. Looking back on a satisfying night's work, he described it as "probably the best we've played all season."

Not for the first time, the narrowness of the scoreline did not reflect the Spitfires' dominance, but Hill pointed out: "There was a difference this time.

"We did create a lot of chances and, yes, we missed a couple, but mainly it was Chelmsford stopping us scoring. We hit the bar twice and one was a defender heading it onto the woodwork. Once again we've faced a goalkeeper who was man-of-the-match."

By his own admission, Hill had been feeling "a bit down" last Sunday when he reflected on "a missed opportunity" at Concord Rangers 24 hours earlier.

On that occasion, the promotion-hungry Spitfires were guilty of



ZERO TO HERO: Eastleigh's Reece Connolly, right.

squandering chances they should have scored. But the principal reasons behind their 3-2 defeat were poor defending for Concord's second and third goals, the controversial dismissal of Eastleigh forward Reece Connolly and, in Hill's view, a tactical error on his part.

He said: "People are critical of me sometimes and rightly so. In my view I made a good decision to go with three centre-halves when Reece was sent off but, on reflection, it was a bad decision not to go back to 4-4-1 when we went 2-1 up.

"I don't blame the referee or the players for what happened. If anything, I blame myself, but I'll know next time.

"At least I'm putting some thought into the job and not just standing on the touch-line hoping.

"I made some good substitutions that got us a point at Eastbourne and also when we beat Maidenhead."

Hill would like to have had another look at the tackle that got Connolly dismissed but said: "On first impressions, Reece made an honest attempt to go for the ball. It might have been a booking, but it didn't look like a sending off to me."

Connolly went from zero to hero on Tuesday, heading in Eastleigh's 43rd-minute winner to sink Chelmsford.

It narrowed the gap on league leaders Bromley to just two points with two games in hand after the jittery Kent table-toppers had again come a cropper 4-0 at home to Dover Athletic.

The title and automatic promotion now look to be Eastleigh's for the taking but Hill, as usual, kept his emotions in check.

"All we can do is go about our business. We can only affect what we can do," he said.

Non-league News

Bristow not giving up on play-offs

JASON Bristow insists his Basingstoke Town squad are not ready to give up on their play-off dreams just yet.

Tuesday night's 2-1 defeat at the hands of fellow top-five chasers Eastbourne Borough left the north Hampshire club tenth in the Skrill Conference South table, seven points outside the play-off zone.

They have games in hand over most of the sides above them but would probably need to win nine of their remaining 13 games – starting at form side Sutton today – to have a realistic chance of finishing fifth or above.

"Making the play-offs is a big ask now," Town manager Bristow, pictured below, admitted. "But we will keep going, try to pick up as many points as possible, and you never know what might happen.

"We will not give up though. It's not in our nature to do that.

"We will keep going and, if we don't reach the play-offs, then so be it, we will aim to finish sixth. We want to end the season as far up the table as possible."



With Basingstoke having just finished a gruelling run of five games in 11 days, injuries are taking their toll.

Matt Partridge, Wes Daly, Shaun McAuley, Neil Barrett, Manny Williams, Simon Dunn and ex-Saint Jordace Holder-Spooner have all been in the wars.

"With injuries mounting all the time, we have had to ask a lot of players to play a lot of minutes," said Bristow.

"It's a huge ask for players to perform to their maximum with their bodies not having the right amount of time to recover. But I think praise must go to the entire squad for the work-rate they have put in during this period.

"At times the football have been excellent too, but the effort has been first class in every game.

"Other teams will have to endure the same demands in the weeks coming up and I am sure it will make for some interesting results."

Lunchtime crunch time for Spitfires

EASTLEIGH will be playing Sunday football at the end of the month.

Their away game at Hayes & Yeading United, scheduled for Saturday, March 29, has been put back a day to March 30 with a 1pm kick-off at Woking FC.

Eastleigh had originally been due

to travel to Hayes on September 21, but Phil Babb's side were groundsharing with Woking while their own ground was being redeveloped.

And as the penultimate stage of the Tour of Britain cycling race was passing by Woking's Kingfield

ground that day, the clubs agreed to switch to an Eastleigh home fixture at the Silverlake Stadium, which the Spitfires edged 1-0.

It was thought at the time that the March reverse fixture would be played at Hayes' new stadium but, six months later, the work has yet

to be completed.

And with H&Y's landlords Woking in home action against Wrexham on March 30, Eastleigh say the only option "reluctantly available" to them was to agree to play the Skrill Conference South game on the Sunday.

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Josh gets suited up CHERRIES development squad midfielder Josh Carmichael celebrated extending his loan spell at Gosport Borough this week by being measured up for a Wembley suit.

Conference South strugglers Borough face Conference Premier favourites Cambridge United in the FA Trophy final next Sunday (March 23) and former Poole Grammar School pupil Carmichael, 19, pictured, will be part of the squad having signed a new month-long temporary deal at Privett Park.

Gosport boss Alex Pike, who initially signed Carmichael on loan in early February, said: "It's not a bad stepping stone for the start of his career to play at Wembley and he's got an opportunity to start. "I've had loan players throughout the year and he has been by far the best. For me he's got everything. "He's over six foot, has got good feet and is willing to learn."

"I've already spoken to Stephen Purches (Cherries development squad coach) about him and if he doesn't make pro I'll be very surprised."

"A lot of his teammates who he's training with full-time are supportive and they are going to come up to Wembley and watch."

League passes row THE Sydenhams Wessex Football League have reminded club officials that they can only use their official league passes for games involving their own clubs.

The reminder came on the latest SWL newsletter which revealed:

"Regrettably there was a case this week when an attempt was made to gain admission with the incorrect use of a pass and the person manning the gate was subjected to abusive language."

MALONE: CITY PUTTING IN THE GROUND WORK

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NON-LEAGUE REPORTER

WINCHESTER City's director of football Dave Malone says the club are currently operating on around half the playing budget they had during their historic FA Vase-winning season of 2004.

Although City are still right in the title mix with favourites Sholing and last season's runners-up Alresford, they have played several more games than their rivals and will have their work cut out to finish in the top two.

Some fans have questioned why they haven't brought in some high-profile new signings – a point addressed by Malone on the club website.

He explained: "Since the club was 'reformed' almost a year ago, we have spent many thousands of pounds on ground improvements.

"This has been done to ensure we are at least able to obtain the necessary ground grading should we, at some point, be eligible for promotion.

"The down side of that is that our playing budget has been severely diminished.

"This is evident when you consider that around six of our current first-team squad are playing for very little and, in some cases, no wages whatsoever.

"It is important our supporters understand why we are not able to go 'shopping' for players to improve our squad.

"On a more positive note, once these enforced improvements are complete, we will be able to focus our financial attention on our playing budget. Hopefully that will mean that next season we will, somehow, have increased resources available.

"We are already starting to accumulate a 'wish list' of players that we feel will enhance our squad for next season."

Even if Winchester fail in their mis-



WINNER: City's Chris Mason netted the only goal of the game against Verwood.

sion to clinch promotion this season, there is no denying that giant strides have been made by a club who hovered on the brink of extinction last summer before Malone and former Eastleigh chairman Paul Murray stepped in to rebuild it as a community club.

No one ever said it would be an easy task to get the ailing club back on its feet, but already City are unrecognisable from the shambolic

end to last season when the electricity was cut off, support had dwindled and former player/manager James Taylor was doubling up as minibus driver.

"We have improved the ground beyond recognition and, above all else, we have gradually rekindled the support that had ebbed away over the preceding years," said Malone.

"But what nobody had anticipated

was the onerous requirement that ground grading has placed upon us.

"The FA have insisted that if we are to be considered for promotion, we must comply with grade D before March 31, 2014.

"In previous years clubs have been given a year's 'grace' after achieving promotion to comply – this is no longer the case.

"Therefore, like it or not, we have needed to use funds to implement improvements that might otherwise have been used on the playing budget. That is a fact."

Since taking over from Graham Kemp in late October, City manager Neil Hards and his assistant Paul Masters have reduced the wage budget by around 40 per cent.

Even so, they have kept the club at the top end of the table and City are confident of holding on to at least a top-four spot.

"Our squad is now a mix of experienced and inexperienced players and our performances reflect our financial ability," said Malone.

"My opinion is that the present management team have done a great job and will continue to do so.

"We are all trying our best to take this club forward. We believe we have taken massive strides in that direction in year one and, with luck, we will continue to do so in the years ahead.

"We are all just custodians of the club and would welcome anyone that wishes to join us."

Chris Mason's second-half strike was enough to see off Verwood Town 1-0 at the Denplan City Ground last Saturday.

City took the lead again at Sholing on Tuesday through new signing Adam 'Taz' Roberts.

But Dave Diaper's FA Vase semi-finalists hit back for a 2-1 victory through their prolific strike force of Lee Wort and Ashley Jarvis.

Malone said: "Despite the result, both Paul Murray and I were delighted with the performance and the determination of the team.

"The strength in numbers that Sholing can afford ensured that the team they fielded had far more depth than ourselves."

Stockbridge planning league return

THE local non-League circuit hasn't seen the last of Stockbridge.

Recent troubles – on and off the pitch – forced the Robins to prematurely end their 2013/14 campaign.

But the west Hampshire club are already planning to return next season. Stockbridge were recently forced to withdraw from the Sydenhams Wessex Division One due to a short-

age of players and a chronic loss of games during the waterlogged winter.

Their playing record has now been expunged.

The Robins are not throwing in the towel, however, and are seeking to appoint a new first-team manager before the end of May.

The club will be interviewing for the position through March and April and

anyone interested in applying for the post should email stockbridgefc@hotmail.co.uk.

Stockbridge have made an application to enter the Hampshire Premier League next season as the Football Association have stated that they cannot immediately rejoin the Wessex ranks.

In addition, they are looking to

expand their thriving youth set-up next term with teams ranging from under-eights through to under-18s.

Off the field the new changing room facilities at Stockbridge Recreation Ground are scheduled for completion by the end of April.

The Robins have also appointed new committee members to help drive the club forward.

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Follands' youth policy paying off for Danny



KIDS ARE ALL RIGHT

FOLLAND Sports reserves will not be in title contention in the Wyvern Combination League Division East this season.

But even if they finish bottom of the pile, club manager Danny Bowers, pictured, couldn't give a jot, *writes WENDY GEE.*

The value of having a youthful reserve side has more than served its purpose for the Planemakers at Sydenhams Premier level where the likes of Jamie Betteridge, Cory Curtis, Jack Pearson and Corey Cherrett have already earned their first-team spurs.

Sixteen-year-old targetman Betteridge came on as a substitute against Christchurch last weekend, scored with his first touch and went on to complete a stunning quick-fire hat-trick.

And he was at it again on Tuesday, netting another two off the bench as Hamworthy United were sent packing 3-1.

Like Curtis, Pearson and Cherrett, Betteridge was a member of last season's Winchester City under-18 side who moved lock, stock and barrel to Follands last summer with manager Glyn Cherrett and his right-hand man Steve Lucas.

It's a move that has paid big dividends for the fourth-placed Planemakers who have been pleasantly surprised by how quickly the young guns have adapted to the rigours of the senior men's game.

"All our reserve team were Winchester under-18s last season and it's been a hard learning curve for them because they'd never played men's football before," said Bowers.

"But I don't care if the reserves finish bottom of their league – because look what they've given me!"

"Jamie, Cory, Jack and Corey are all

16 or 17 and, between them, they must have played 20-odd times for the first team – plus we've got other good youngsters coming through."

As reported in last week's *Pink*, Follands have teamed up with thriving local sports coaching company Learning Through Sport Limited (LTS) to create a School of Development Centre which has already forged links with the nearby Hamble Community Sports College.

Added to that, Bowers is juggling his first-team duties with running the Follands under-15 side who are proudly sitting aloft Division 4 of the Southampton & District Tyro League.

Bowers took a year out as manager of Follands' Wessex Premier side last season to get the youth team established as under-14s and it was a labour of love that has proved totally worthwhile.

He smiled: "I love these kids, they're brilliant. They're all local lads and I can see five or six of them getting into our reserve side in a year or two."

Youngsters

"I've over-stretched myself managing the Tyro team again this year, which means I'm out on Saturdays and Sundays, but thankfully I've got an understanding wife!"

"It's been hard, but I've done it for the club and if some of these young lads end up playing for the reserves and eventually the first team, I won't have minded giving two years to it."

"We'll keep these youngsters, take them through and it will be nice to have players who have grown up with the club."

"We've seen great examples of it with the Christchurch and Sholing and I've spent three years working on getting it going here."

"I took a back seat from first-team management while I was sorting it out and it's a really exciting time for the club. It feels like we've awoken after years and years."

"Glyn Cherrett pulled me aside the other day and asked if I was staying next season and I said 'yeah, coming back as manager was part of a three-year plan.'"

"He said 'great' and said he wants to stay too because he really believes we can achieve something."

The Folland Sports School of Development Centre are holding their first batch of trials at The Sholing Technology College on Monday, March 31 (5.30-7.15pm) for outfield players and goalkeepers currently playing in the under-7 to under-12 age range.

Places are strictly limited and can be booked via the LTS website at www.learningthrough-sport.co.uk

Alternatively email admin@learningthrough-sport.co.uk.

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Scott joins Jam Boys
CENTRE-BACK Matt Scott has become the second former Winchester City player to sign for Whitchurch United this season.

Back in October, striker Nic Turpin made the move to Longmeadow from the Denplan City Ground.

He has now been joined as a Jam Boy by defender Scott, pictured below, who was released by Winchester last month along with Lerone 'Rudy' Plummer (now

Brockenhurst) and Liam Robinson (now Lymington Town).

Scott had joined Winchester from Downton last summer having previously played for Laverstock & Ford.

Whitchurch, meanwhile, have appointed a new secretary, Cara Lewis, in place of the departed Phil Cooper.

"The club would like to thank Phil for his hard work in helping move the club forward over recent seasons and wish him all the best for the future," said a Whitchurch statement.



Gos in for Kerrigan
FA TROPHY finalists Gosport Borough have signed promising young defender Jack Kerrigan.

The 17-year-old left-sided player currently attends The John Madejski Academy in Reading.

He was part of the side that demolished Gosport's academy side 7-0 in the Football

Conference Youth Alliance last week and impressed Borough's head coach Tony Stares in the process.

The teenager was previously sent out to Calor Southern One Central side Marlow to gain experience.

With Brett Poate suspended, along with skipper Jamie Brown, Kerrigan made his Gosport debut on Tuesday, featuring in a solid 0-0 Skrill Conference South draw against neighbours Havant & Waterlooville.



TEENAGE targetman Jamie Betteridge has earned himself a new nickname at Folland Sports.

The 16-year-old has been christened 'Halogen' by his teammates because he shines when the sun is out.

Having hibernated during the winter months, Betteridge went on as a substitute at home to Christchurch last

Well done, Sunshine!

Saturday and wasted no time thumping in a hat-trick in a 4-0 win.

Manager Danny Bowers smiled: "We all forget Jamie's only 16 and the lads were ribbing him about only scoring goals when the sun's out!"

"He was scoring all sorts around September-time, but he's been out for two

months with a hip injury and you could tell his confidence was low playing for the reserves."

"But on Saturday he's stabbed one home at the back post from Jake Long's free kick, slotted one past the keeper from Jamie Barron's through ball and then appeared at the other post to convert Ryan Long's cross.

"Like I said to his mum and dad, he must be a fair-weather player!"

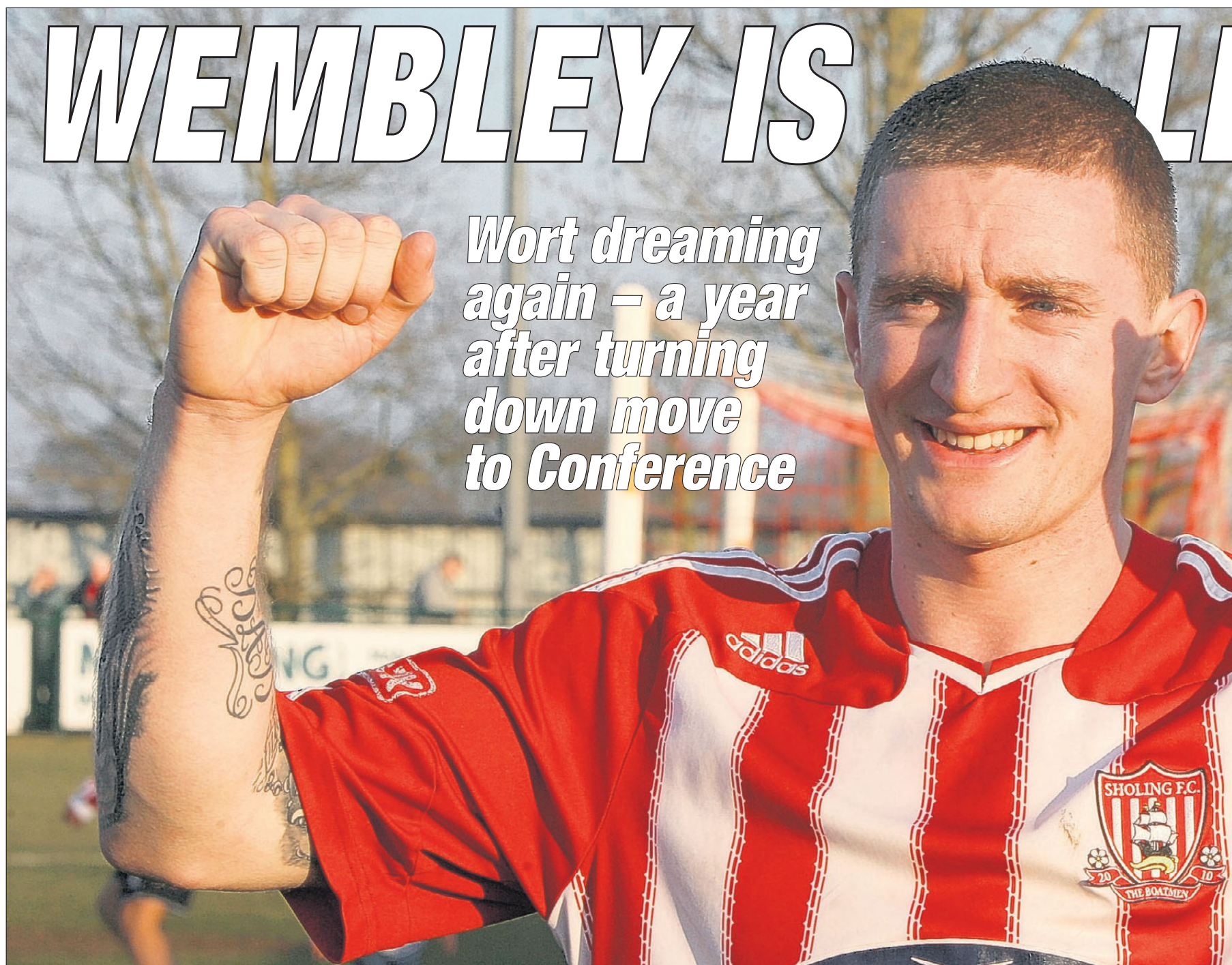
Betteridge, though, proved an after-dark sensation on Tuesday, again going on as sub and scoring twice in a 3-1 league win over Hamworthy United. "We turned the floodlights up extra high!" joked Bowers.

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WEMBLEY IS

Wort dreaming again – a year after turning down move to Conference



THIS time last year Sholing striker Lee Wort turned down a dream opportunity to step into the Skril Conference South with Eastleigh.

That decision, combined with the Boatmen voluntarily dropping back into the Sydenhams Wessex Premier Division, means the 22-year-old hotshot is now playing three levels lower than he might have been.

But, if the striker harboured any hint of regret, it was quickly forgotten last Saturday as he jubilantly fired Sholing to within 180 minutes of the FA Vase final at Wembley with a 1-0 quarter-final win over Wisbech Town.

Wort, who hails from the heart of near-by St Mary's, was flattered by Eastleigh's

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attention. But, having held down a regular job at Southampton docks for three years, he could not meet the Spitfires' demands of twice-weekly daytime training sessions.

Looking back on that decision, he said: "It was a hard one to make, but I had a lot of good conversations with the manager (Sholing boss Dave Diaper) and I decided to stay here and keep developing my game. Hopefully I'll keep progressing at Sholing, keep scoring goals and see what happens."

It was a tough decision too for Diaper to pull the Boatmen out of the Southern League after four successful years in Division One South & West.

But, with finances tight and future ground development to factor in, he felt it was the common sense thing to do.

Sholing are now on course to go straight back up again next season but, before embarking on another Southern League adventure, they have the small matter of an FA Vase/Sydenhams League/League Cup treble to focus on!

Asked about the day Diaper dropped the bombshell news that the club would be taking a temporary break from Southern League football, Wort said: "Dave had a meeting with us and he was

very honest about the reasons for doing it.

"But he discussed his plans for the future and he has proved it by applying to go straight back up.

"He did it in the right manner and I think it's the love Dave has for Sholing that keeps him going in football.

Created history

"He's been here over a decade now and it's games like today (the Vase quarter-final win) that will keep him here.

"He's already created history for Sholing and any manager would want the chance to create more.

"Obviously I want to play higher but, if we'd stayed in the Southern League this

season, we wouldn't have had this opportunity of getting to Wembley.

"It's every player's dream to play at Wembley and it's a bit surreal that we're doing it away."

Those two games are a two-legged semi-final against Eastbourne United in the Sussex County League Division One.

While Eastbourne sneaked a 1-0 win in their quarter-final 2-1 against non-league Ampthill Town, Sholing edged their quarter-final encounter with Cambridgeshire's Wisbech.

The deciding moment came in the 18th minute when Wort's frontline partner Ashley Jarvis turned sharply in the circle and picked out the veteran marksman with a ball over the top. Wort did the rest, outpacing

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Fenmen's player/co-manager Paul Cousins and pulling to the left of stranded goalkeeper Carl Macney before nonchalantly rolling the ball into the bottom corner.

The Wort-Jarvis partnership is a relatively new one at Wessex level with Jarvis having switched camps from Folland Sports last summer.

But, if there appears to be a telepathic understanding between the pair, it's because they know each other of old.

"I went to school with Ashley and we played indoor football together," Wort revealed.

"I don't remember which one of us scored more goals, but I'll give it to Ash because he was a bit older than me!"

Between them the deadly duo have now

netted almost 70 goals this season. Top scorer Wort bags most of the headlines, but manager Diaper says Jarvis's contribution is equally valuable – both as scorer and creator.

With Sholing getting overrun as they tried to protect their slender lead against Wisbech, Diaper sent on Alex Sawyer to shore up midfield and reluctantly withdrew Jarvis for tactical reasons.

"I didn't want to do it but I thought we could still be dangerous going forward with just Worty up front," he said.

"Worty will run and run for you and we're always in with a shout when he's on the field.

"But it's the runs Ash makes that create a lot of the space for Worty and people mustn't forget that."



Sholing are two GOOD games away from final

WHILE Sholing's players stayed out on the pitch joyously celebrating their FA Vase quarter-final success last Saturday, one man was conspicuous by his absence.

Members of the coaching staff raced across to join the team in their celebrations, but Boatmen's manager Dave Diaper kept out of the spotlight, quietly gathering his thoughts in the background.

After devoting nearly 14 years of blood, sweat and tears to the Sholing cause, reaching the last four of lower non-League's premier cup competition is the stuff dreams are made of.

But while Diaper, who wears the twin hats of team boss and chairman, was chuffed to be a two-legged semi-final away from Wembley, his joy was tinged with disappointment that, for the second Vase game running, his side had not played to their full potential.

League-wise Sholing are the class act of the Sydenhams Premier Division, fast closing in on 100 league goals.

But their form in the Vase of late has been somewhat muted, scraping through the last two rounds as somewhat fortunate 1-0 home victors over Larkhall Athletic and Wisbech Town.

Both ties have been notable for the solid rearguard qualities of goalkeeper Matt Brown and the twin defensive towers of Pete Castle and Lee Bright.

Pacy marksman Lee Wort has played his part, plundering the decisive goal on both occasions. But too often Sholing have resembled the away side, reliant on Wort's speed and deadly finishing on the break, rather than confidently taking the game to the opposition as they do in the league.

Against the free-flowing footballers of Larkhall, the off-colour Boatmen were distinctly second best for 90 minutes, but grew in stature in extra-time to nick a 111th-minute winner.

They were decent value for Wort's 29th-minute strike against Wisbech last

Saturday, but were out-played in the second half and had a huge let-off when the

Cambridgeshire visitors struck the woodwork for the second time in the game.

"I didn't join in the celebrations because I was slightly disappointed about the perform-

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ance," Diaper admitted.

"If Wisbech had equalised, I think they would have gone on and won it.

"Part of me wanted to be angry, but then I suppose we could have played out of our skin for 90 minutes and lost 1-0."

With Sussex County Division Two outfit Eastbourne United now standing between Sholing and Wembley's theatre of dreams, Diaper knows that only two top-notch performances will ensure they follow in the footsteps of Wessex clubs Wimborne Town (1992), Winchester City (2004) and AFC Totton (2007) into the final.

"This is serious stuff now going into the semi-finals and fine margins will decide who goes through," he said.

"All I want is for us to be at our best, which we haven't been in the last two Vase outings.

"I'm going to have to look at the formation and maybe tweak it a bit.

"I know we can play a lot better than we have done and I need another ten per cent from the lads – not effort-wise, but we've lacked a bit of quality on the ball.

"I'm happy for us to go a bit longer – sometimes you have to because if you tried playing short passes against good footballing sides like Alresford, for example, you'd get undone.

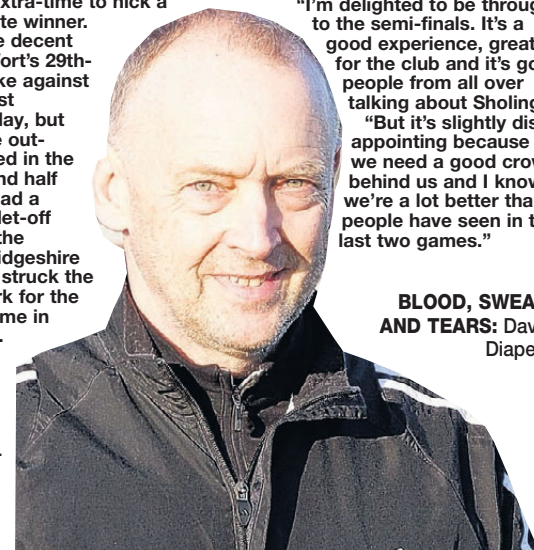
"But I still feel like we've shackled ourselves a bit.

"It was good to get the first goal against Wisbech, but two things can happen when you go in front. Firstly, the players can drop back another five yards and try and defend what they've got. And, secondly, the other team feel they've got nothing to lose and come out and attack you.

"I'm delighted to be through to the semi-finals. It's a good experience, great for the club and it's got people from all over talking about Sholing.

"But it's slightly disappointing because we need a good crowd behind us and I know we're a lot better than people have seen in the last two games."

BLOOD, SWEAT AND TEARS: Dave Diaper.



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SHOLING FRIENDLIES 2013/14

July	
7 Southampton u21 H	L 1-4
Thompson	
19 Gosport Borough H	D 2-2
Jarvis Wort	
27 Cowes Sports A	W 5-2
Wort 3, Jarvis, Thomson	
30 AFC Totton A	W 3-2
Wort 3	

SHOLING CUP TIES 2013/14

August	
2 US Portsmouth (WLC) H	W 9-0
Wort 4, Jarvis 3, Brewster, Carter	
17 Downton (FAC) A	W 3-1
Diaper, Jarvis, Barry Mason	
31 Totton & Eling (FAC) A	0-0

September	
3 Totton & Eling (FAC replay) H	W 2-1
Carter, Jarvis	
14 AFC Totton (FAC) H	W 4-0
Wort 2, Bowers, Fennemore	
17 Tadley Calleva (WLC) H	W 6-1
Thomson 3, Brewster, Castle, Miller	
28 Clevedon Town (FAC) A	L 0-2

October	
8 Cowes (HSC) A	W 6-0
Wort 2, Brewster, Castle, Barry Mason, Watts	
19 Winchester City (FAV) A	W 1-0
Barry Mason	
29 Winchester City (WLC) A	W 5-4
Watts 2, Byron Mason, Barry Mason, Wort	

November	
5 Lymington Town (RCC) A	W 3-1
Byron Mason, McLean, Jarvis	
16 Folland Sports (FAV) A	W 2-1
Wort, Carter	
20 Newport (IOW) (RCC) H	W 3-2
Watts Bright Wort	
26 Bemerton (WLC) H	W 7-0
Barry Mason 2, Castle 2, Wort 2 Byron Mason	

December	
7 Reading Town (FAV) A	W 4-1
Byron Mason, McLean, Wort Barry Mason	
10 Havant & W (HSC) H	L 0-3

January	
21 Hullbridge Sports (FAV) H	W 3-1
Wort 2, Byron Mason	

February	
11 Farnborough (RCC) H	L 2-4
Wort, Byron Mason	
22 Larkhall Athletic (FAV) H	W 1-0

March	
8 Wisbech Town (FAV) H	W 1-0
Wort	
29 Eastbourne Utd (FAV SF)	H

April	
1 Alresford Town (SLC SF)	N
5 Eastbourne Utd (FAV SF)	A

SHOLING SCORERS 2013/14

	F	Cp	Lge	Total
Lee Wort	7	19	22	48
Ashley Jarvis	2	6	23	31
Barry Mason	0	7	6	13
Byron Mason	0	6	7	13
Pete Castle	0	4	5	9
Tyrone Bowers	0	1	6	7
Kev Brewster	0	3	2	5
Mike Carter	0	3	2	5
Lewis Fennemore	0	1	4	5
James Thomson	2	3	0	5
Nick Watts	0	4	1	5
Danny Cox	0	0	4	4
Marvin McLean	0	2	2	4
Marc Diaper	0	1	2	3
Dan Miller	0	1	2	3
Lee Bright	0	1	1	2
Alex Sawyer	0	0	1	1
James Taylor	0	0	1	1

SHOLING will be hoping they can avoid any repeat of the red card woe that has surrounded Eastbourne United's previous two FA Vase opponents when the two clubs clash for a place in the showpiece Wembley final.

Amphill Town had two players sent off in losing their quarter final 2-1 at Eastbourne last weekend.

And Morpeth had THREE players red carded during their 6-1 fifth round caning in Sussex a few weeks earlier.

Portsmouth referee Andrew Laver made his mark after just 90 seconds by sending off Morpeth midfielder Jordan Fry for allegedly throwing a punch at a home player.

The incident happened after Eastbourne's Jack Franklin had made an "extremely bad tackle" – according to north east media – on Steven Anderson.

As the two players got to their feet there was a squaring-up, although each player kept their hands by their side. Issues escalated when other players rushed to the scene, with Fry trying to put himself between Anderson and Franklin.

Fry appeared to do nothing wrong but Mr Laver brought out the red card after speaking to the assistant referee, who was standing over 70 yards away.

Anderson and Shaun Bell were later sent off within five minutes of each other in the second half for two bookable offences.

Morpeth manager Nick Gray was furious. "Eastbourne had a game plan to get stuck into us hard and rattle our normal game," he said. "To go down to ten men was a huge influence on the match and it was in our opinion a total injustice."

"This had a major effect on all of my players – we never recovered from it."

After Fry's red card was rescinded by the FA following video evidence, Gray also claimed that Eastbourne skipper Shaun Loft should have been dismissed instead for violent conduct.

Gray said the video that cleared Fry showed Loft throwing a "forearm smash" into Fry's face, leaving him with a black eye.

Eastbourne boss Simon Rowland hit back at Gray's claims, saying "It's all hearsay."

"I've got no question that they are a very embarrassed side. If they think their player hasn't punched someone then I want to see proof."

"They are bad losers, they got beaten by the better team."

"If they had concentrated more on the match rather than the referee they might be the ones still in the competition."

There was less controversy last weekend when the Amphill mob

RED CARDS LITTER



VASE HERO: Lee Wort in action against Wisbech. Below – Sholing celebrate reaching the semis



arrived, but the visitors still ended with only nine players.

Mark Bunker, needlessly booked for dissent in the first half, clattered into Scott Dartnell and received a second yellow card.

Amphill still managed to level with ten men before Wes Tate restored Eastbourne's lead with 15 minutes left. Visiting defender Steve

Flux was dismissed late on.

The FA Vase – road to the semi-finals

Second round qualifying

Eastbourne Utd 3 Arundel 0
Eastbourne stroled to victory against an Arundel side who are currently struggling in Division 1 of

the Sussex County League.

Ryan McBride opened the scoring for the current Sussex County League Division 2 leaders before Casey Ham doubled the advantage.

United's third came from the penalty spot, Wes Tate on target.

First round proper

Eastbourne Utd 5

WEMBLEY DREAM FOR GOAL-KING LEE - SEE PAGES 24/25

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ROUTE TO SEMI-FINALS



VASE DANGERMAN: Eastbourne United striker Wes Tate, above left.
FRIENDLY RIVALRY: Sholing's Foxy mascot, below right, with Wisbech's Fenny Fenman.



Phoenix Sports 4 (aet)
 Yet again, Eastbourne defeated higher division opposition in the form of Southern Counties East League high fliers Phoenix Sports - and they did it with ten men! Jason Taylor scored four times for the hosts, who survived the 80th minute dismissal of skipper Shaun Loft.

With the scores level at 3-3 after 90 minutes, the hosts produced a superb extra time performance despite their numerical disadvantage.

Second round - Chessington & Hook U 2 Eastbourne Utd 3

Ryan McBride scored a late win-

ner as Eastbourne defeated one division higher Chessington - from the Combined Counties League top flight.

Eastbourne fell behind early on before levelling through a Wes Tate penalty.

Chessington retook the lead but were reduced to ten-men shortly after half-time due to a reckless

challenge.

Jason Taylor equalised shortly after before McBride settled the tie.

Third round - South Park 1 Eastbourne Utd 2

Eastbourne produced another remarkable performance to keep their Vase dream alive against the side currently top of the Combined Counties League top flight.

Although the home side took the lead shortly after half-time, United responded with a 69th minute header from Shaun Loft.

Ryan McBride grabbed the winner late on, injuring himself in the process, against a Park side who have only suffered three league losses in 2013/14 in 27 outings.

Fourth round Hanworth Villa 2 Eastbourne United 7 (aet)

An extraordinary tie saw Eastbourne hit five answered goals in extra time against another side higher up the pyramid than they are.

Joe Dryer, having not previously scored for United, cracked a hat-trick in an eventful game that saw Ryan McBride, Scott Dartnall, Sean Ray and Wes Tate also score.

The referee took the sides off for ten minutes in the second half due to heavy rain.

Then, in the early stages of extra time, Hanworth striker Adam Turner - who had earlier scored for the Combined Counties League top flight side - was stretchered off, handing Eastbourne a chance they gleefully accepted.

Fifth round Eastbourne Utd 6 Morpeth Town 1

After higher division Morpeth were stunned by a second minute red card, Eastbourne raced into a 4-0 half-time lead courtesy of a Ryan McBride double and one each from Joe Dryer and Wes Tate.

Jack Divall and another from Tate settled the tie, while Morpeth ended with eight men due to two second half dismissals for two bookable offences.

Sixth Round

Eastbourne Utd 2 Ampthill 1

Wes Tate was the hero, as he hit a double to sink nine-man Ampthill Town.

Ampthill are currently top of the Spartan South Midlands League, which is the same step on the pyramid as Division 2 of the Sussex County League that Eastbourne play in.

Tate opened the scoring with a goal to remember, curling in an effort from 40 yards.

Ampthill, down to ten men, levelled on 55 minutes but Tate slotted home from close range 20 minutes later.

Ampthill had another man sent off late on.

Did You Know?

SHOLING WESSEX LEAGUE 2013/14

August

6 Romsey Town (H)	W 5-0
Wort 2, Cox, Barry Mason, Byron Mason	
9 Bournemouth (H)	W 1-0
Bowers (pen)	
13 Alesford Town (H)	W 4-0
Byron Mason 2 Jarvis, Wort (pen)	
20 Downton (A)	W 3-0
Wort 2 Jarvis	
23 Blackfield (H)	W 3-2
Brewster, Castle, Jarvis	
27 Bemerton (A)	D 2-2
Carter, McLean	

September

7 Hamworthy (A)	W 4-0
Bowers, Fennemore, Miller, Wort	
21 Whitchurch (A)	W 2-1
Bowers Wort	

October

1 Moneyfields (H)	W 3-1
Bowers Fennemore Wort	
5 Winchester City (A)	W 3-0
Castle Jarvis Wort	
12 Newport (IOW) (H)	D 1-1
Byron Mason	
25 Fareham Town (H)	W 6-0
Bright, Barry Mason, Wort, Castle, Byron Mason, Jarvis	

November

2 Totton & Eling (A)	W 3-0
Taylor, Jarvis, Byron Mason	
9 Fawley (H)	W 3-0
Diaper, Jarvis, Wort	
23 Christchurch (A)	W 3-0
Castle, McLean, Barry Mason	
30 Lymington Town (H)	W 5-1
Jarvis 3, Cox, Barry Mason	

December

14 Alesford Town (A)	W 3-2
Bowers, Jarvis, Wort	
17 Brockenhurst (H)	W 5-0
Jarvis 2, Wort 2, Barry Mason	
26 Folland (A)	W 2-1
Castle, Wort	
28 Downton (H)	W 12-1
Wort 4, Jarvis 3, Bowers, Diaper, Byron Mason, Sawyer, Watts	

January

11 Bemerton (H)	W 2-1
Carter, Jarvis	

February

4 Blackfield (A)	L 1-2
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March

1 Hamworthy (H)	W 4-0
Jarvis 2, Fennemore, Wort	
4 Horndean (H)	W 9-0
Cox 2, Jarvis 2, Brewster, Fennemore, Barry Mason, Wort	
11 Winchester City (H)	W 2-1
Jarvis, Wort	

15: Totton & Eling	H
18 Verwood Town	A
20 Romsey Town	A
22 Fawley	A
25 Bournemouth	A

April

8 Brockenhurst	A
10 Newport (IOW)	A
12-4 Lymington Town	A
15 AFC Portchester	A
17 Fareham Town	A
19 Verwood Town	H
21 Folland Sports	H
24 Whitchurch United	H
26 Horndean	A

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Christchurch	H
AFC Portchester	H
Moneyfields	A

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Eastleigh 2013/14

Conference South

August

17 Sutton (H)W1-0
Odubade
20 Bath City (A)W1-0
Stevens
24 Basingstoke (A)L0-2
26 Havant and W (H)D 0-0
31 Boreham Wood (A)W 3-0
McAllister, Fleetwood, Reason

September

7 Bromley (H)W 2-1
McAllister, Fleetwood
14 Maidenhead (A)W 3-1
Odubade 2, McAllister
17 Eastbourne (H)W 2-0
Reason, Southam
21 Hayes and Y (H)W 1-0
McAllister

October

5 Concord (H)D 1-1
Reason
8 Ebbsfleet (A)L 1-3
Fleetwood
19 Staines (H)W 1-0
Reason

November

2 Sutton (A)D 1-1
McAllister
9 Farnborough (H)W 1-0
McAllister
12 Gosport (A)W 2-0
Odubade, Southam
23 Tonbridge (H)L 1-2
Collins

December

17 Dover (A)W 2-1
Stevens, Fleetwood
21 Chelmsford City (H)PP
26 Dorchester Town (A)W -2-1
Stevens, Reason
28 Bath City (H)W 2-1
Stevens, Collins

January

1 Dorchester Town (H)PP
4 Eastbourne BoroughPP
11 Bishop's StortfordPP
18 Gosport Borough, HW 2-1
McAllister Stevens
21 Weston-super-Mare, AL 2-3
McAllister, Odubade
25 Ebbsfleet, HW 3-1
Reason 3
28 Bromley, App

February

4 Dover (H)pp
8 Maidenhead United (H)pp
15 Tonbridge Angels (A)L 2-1
Fleetwood
22 Farnborough (A)W 1-0
Wright
25 Maidenhead (H)W 3-2
Connolly, Fleetwood, Stevens

March

1 Weston-super-Mare (H)W 3-2
Wright, Reason, McAllister
4 Eastbourne Borough (A)D 1-1
Simpemba
8 Concord Rangers (A)L 2-3
Wright, Stevens
11 Chelmsford (H)W 1-0
Connolly
15 Bishop's Stortford(H)
18 Whitehawk(A)
22 Staines Town(A)
25 Dorchester(H)
29 Hayes and Yeading U(A)

April

1 Bishop's Stortford(A)
5 Whitehawk(H)
8 Bromley(A)
12 Chelmsford City(A)
15 Dover(H)
18 Basingstoke Town(H)
21 Havant and W(A)
26 Boreham Wood(H)

SPITFIRES HAVE TITLE

Experience can count for Eastleigh during the Conference South run-in

STUART Fleetwood's direct and adventurous running with the ball has provided one of this season's most compelling sights at Eastleigh's Silverlake Stadium.

Crucially, the Welshman's end-product has often lived up to his fearless flank play, writes **PAUL McNAMARA**.

Fleetwood gave early notice of his propensity for the spectacular, with an emphatic strike from an improbable angle in a September clash with current league pacesetters Bromley.

Subsequently there has been a wondrous run from half-way, topped off with a sublime finish, to secure his team's last ditch victory at Dover Athletic, and a thumping drive that settled an FA Trophy tie against Conference Premier outfit Gateshead.

The best of his individual collection, according to the man himself, came as recently as this month – a gallop down the left wing that had a screaming 20-yard shot, sent flying high into the right corner of goal, at its denouement.

"Due to the timing of the goal and how the game was going it would be the one against Eastbourne recently (his personal favourite).

"We played well, but they said in the press that's the best they have played all season.

Massive

"They're a good side – they move the ball well. I'm surprised they're not higher in the table.

"That goal, the timing, and the point it gave us was massive.

"I was hoping it would be the catalyst for us to push on again. Unfortunately Saturday was a bit of a setback, but it will be tough to beat that goal."

The "setback" to which Fleetwood refers, a 3-2 defeat at mid-table Concord Rangers, came just four days after Eastleigh had earned their precious draw at Eastbourne.

"It was disappointing because we got in at half-time knowing that we should have been two or three up, but finding ourselves one down.

"We heard that Bromley were 2-0 down and that gave us a bit of a gee-up.

"We scored an early goal (after half-time), then had a man sent off which was difficult. But, once you go 2-1 ahead with ten men, you need to try and be as strong at the back as possible.

"Unfortunately for us, we conceded two sloppy late goals.



ON TARGET: Stuart Fleetwood celebrates a goal for Eastleigh against Oxford City in the FA Cup earlier this season.

'I'd definitely prefer to be in our position rather than Bromley's. They've been at the top of the table for so long'

"Although you don't lose points as such, after being 2-1 up, it was a real sucker punch.

"The only positive on the day was that Bromley lost as well."

Reece Connolly was the Spitfires player dismissed, the forward red-carded for raising his boot in a tackle on Rangers' centre-half Steve King.

Fleetwood is well placed to empathise

me off.

"I missed a long period of football with matches being called off as well (34 days).

"That was disappointing, and was tough to take, but it was my own fault.

"I think Reece's was similar, but their reaction to the foul probably made up the referee's mind. They all rushed around him.

with his team-mate's predicament, having himself been ordered off for a kick on a defender in a festive match against Bath City.

"It's weird. Afterwards you feel a bit foolish, especially with mine," he recalled.

"It was a petulant little thing to do, and nine times out of ten you probably get away with it – I don't think anybody sees it.

"They (Bath) didn't make a big deal out of it, but the referee thought it was enough to send

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LE CREDENTIALS



"It's a grey area. He's won the ball but his studs were showing and nowadays that is a red card unfortunately."

Despite playing the last half-hour in Essex with a one man deficit, Eastleigh got their noses in front, before being undone by two headed goals.

The manner of defeat, says Fleetwood, was even more galling given the experience within his side.

"We've got that much experience in the team that the gaffer shouldn't have to say too much to us," he stated.

"We should be able to marshal things on the pitch and mange ourselves.

"If we were a group of young lads you could probably accept us being a bit naïve, but there's a lot of league games in our team."

Regardless of that slip-up in Essex, though, Fleetwood believes that the number of wise heads in the Spitfires' squad will be crucial when it comes to managing the inevitable tension and expectation as the campaign enters its decisive phase.

In fact, the attacker is feeling more relaxed than five months ago when he described as "massive" the pressure on Eastleigh's footballers.

"I think the pressure on us has actually reduced a little bit (over the past few months).

Pressure's starting to show

"We know when teams play us, especially at our ground, they've got nothing to lose.

"They come here, and they're in the spotlight a little bit because we're a big club at this level.

"They play as hard as they can.

"We've seen it with a lot of teams this season, where they've come here and played extremely well and then gone and lost their next match because they've exerted so much energy against us.

"It's still in our hands (the title's destiny).

"If, at the start of the season, somebody had offered us that, we would have taken it.

"I'd definitely prefer to be in our position rather than Bromley's.

"They've been at the top of the table for so long, with such a big gap.

"Everyone was expecting them to win it, and the pressure's just starting to show on them a little bit now.

"I'm happy with where we are and hopefully our experience will tell at the end of the season."

"Experience" is clearly an attribute that Fleetwood values highly.



EYE ON THE BALL: Stuart Fleetwood

The Conference Premier's top goal-scorer when, as a Forest Green Rovers player, he found the net on 28 occasions in 2007/2008, and a man renowned for his striking ability, the 27 year-old has relished expanding his own on-pitch repertoire by functioning in a wide position for Eastleigh.

That willingness to take on a new challenge fits well with an individual who considers himself to be in his "prime", and ready to "learn from other people around me, and add different things to my game".

"I've improved defensively this year, because in the past I've not had that responsibility.

"This year I've needed to add that to my game, and I've had people around me to help with that.

"I'm not one of those players who think I know everything, or is going to say I'm right all the time.

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Did You Know?

BEN Stokes, pictured, will miss the ICC World Twenty20 after breaking his hand when he punched a dressing-room locker in frustration at being dismissed.

Here, *The Pink* looks at five other sportsmen who fell foul of their own temper.

MIKHAIL YOUZHNY

The famously combustible Russian tennis star netted a backhand to let a break point slip away as his opponent Nicolas Almagro served for the match at the 2008 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami. Youzhny responded by slamming his racket into his own forehead three times, drawing blood and requiring treatment before the match could continue. Remarkably, he recovered to win the next seven points, take the set to a tie-break and ultimately win the match.

MARC ROSSET

Rosset was not so fortunate, however, when his temper got the better of him in the 1996 Hopman Cup final. The Swiss player was partnering Martina Hingis in the decisive mixed doubles and, after the pair let four championship points slip away against Croatia's Goran Ivanisevic and Iva Majoli, Rosset

punched a court-side advertising board in frustration. He attempted to play on but after two more points, both won by the Croatian pair, he had to concede the match with the score at 3-6 7-6 5-5 and 0-30.

JESSE RYDER

The New Zealand batsman is a big hitter on the pitch, but a violent strike away from the field brought his downfall in 2008 when he punched out a window attempting to enter a locked toilet in a Christchurch bar, badly injuring his right hand. He vowed afterwards: "I'll be doing everything in my power to get my attitude sorted out, to get back on to the international stage."

SERGIO ROMERO

The Argentina goalkeeper was playing for AZ Alkmaar in 2009 when he responded to an error that cost his side victory against NAC Breda by punching the dressing-room wall. He required surgery on a broken right hand and was sidelined for six weeks.

GUY BRANSTON

The former Rotherham hard man severed an artery in his arm after punching through the referee's dressing-room door - and the attached pane of glass - following his red card at Hull in the 1999-2000 season. After a similar incident involving then-PSV Eindhoven defender Erik Pieters in 2013, Branston posted a picture on Twitter of the damaged Boothferry Park door with the comment: "I did this 13 years ago cause I got sent off, 70 stitches isn't funny".



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Cuffie reckons Priory are safe

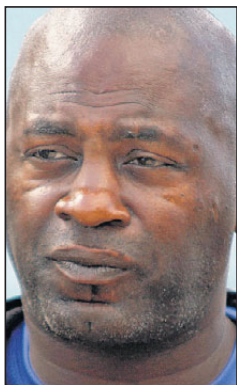
CHRISTCHURCH boss Michael Cuffie believes Priory have enough of a buffer to avoid being dragged into the Sydenhams Premier Division relegation zone.

Cuffie's charges were put to the sword 4-0 at Folland Sports last Saturday – a repeat of their midweek thrashing at Hamworthy United.

Winless in six league outings, they dropped into the bottom five as a result, but Cuffie reckons it will take something pretty spectacular from the sides below them to suck them into the bottom two.

Asked whether he had any concerns about being embroiled in the relegation dogfight, he said: "I am not too concerned at the moment."

"The bottom two have played quite a few games more than us and they would have to do something



MICHAEL CUFFIE

they have not done all season and put together three or four wins.

"You can never say never and we have got to pick up some results for ourselves as much as looking at what other teams are doing, but I am confident we can turn things around."

"Once we get to the games against teams in and around us we will be OK."

Christchurch trailed to just a Matt Burt goal at half-time at Follands, but a hat-trick by young Planemakers substitute Jamie Betteridge combined with the dismissal of experienced Priory midfielder Mark Smith made for a miserable second half for the visitors.

"Despite the result, I came away feeling positive because the performance was a lot better and the new guys we drafted in established themselves very well," said Cuffie.

"We were probably the better side in the first 20 minutes and we were quite happy to be one down but still in the game at half-time."

"But we do have to learn that playing well isn't always good enough."

"We're in the results game and we have to turn those displays into points."

Searle comes through baptism of fire



LEE BRADBURY

CHARLIE Searle went from boy to man in Havant & Waterlooville's 1-0 win at Eastbourne Borough last Saturday.

The Hawks had to draft in the 18-year-old academy stopper after ex-Saint Scott Bevan and AFC Bournemouth loanee Benji Buchel had dropped out through injury and illness respectively.

Searle himself almost joined the list of casualties midway through the second half when he took a knock to the head which required lengthy treatment.

But the teenager bravely

carried on and played his part in a slender Skril Conference South victory secured by a 31st-minute wonder strike from French midfielder Nigel Atangana.

"Charlie became a man out there today," said H&W boss Lee Bradbury.

"He took quite a bang on the head but he wasn't knocked out and we made sure he was okay. He was brave enough to continue and the lad has gone way up in my estimation."

Bradbury added a new frontrunner to the ranks ahead of Tuesday's game against Gosport Borough, bringing in 19-year-old

Aristide Bassele on a youth loan from AFC Bournemouth.

The powerful 6ft 2in striker/winger has previously had loan spells with Welling United and Dorchester Town.

Bassele got his first taste of action for the Hawks on Tuesday, going on in the second half of the 0-0 league draw at Gosport Borough.

He almost had a dream debut, chasing a long pass forward and rounding 'keeper Nathan Ashmore, but the ball ran away from him before he could get a shot away.

HARRIS DEMANDS RESPONSE TO 'MOST DIFFICULT' NIGHT IN FOOTBALL



DEJECTED Salisbury City boss Mikey Harris described Tuesday's 4-0 defeat at Forest Green Rovers as his "most difficult evening in management."

The 29-year-old apologised to the 85 die-hard visiting fans who witnessed his side being cut to shreds in Gloucestershire by their Skril Conference Premier play-off rivals.

"Almost to a man they were very poor and I don't know what I can put it down to," said Harris, pictured above.

How we can go from the way we performed on Saturday (a 0-0 draw against league leaders Luton) to defeat three days

later I don't know.

"A positive result on the Saturday needs to be followed up on the Tuesday. It's all about the next game and we let it pass us by."

"But credit to Forest Green, they took their chances and were much better than us."

So incensed was Harris that he called the players in for training on Wednesday, their day off, and again on Thursday and Friday.

"I've told the players it's unacceptable," he said. "They will do what it takes and get back to the drawing board to make sure I get a reaction on Saturday."

"Normally they have Wednesdays off, but not this week."

"I didn't say a great deal to them after the game because I didn't think it was the time or place to do that."

"I can honestly say it's probably my most difficult evening since I took the job and I'd like to apologise to the fans who came here, like me, with high hopes."

"I ask myself what's the point of doing research on teams when the players don't take my advice on board."

"The work we do in the week is gone in a flash because people don't take responsibility for their jobs."

"We have to move on from that now. They're an honest bunch of lads and I'm confident I'll get a positive reaction."

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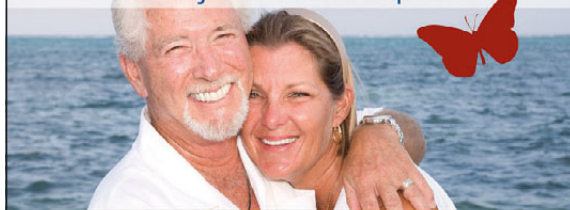
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LOWFORD

Clive Rubenstein (goalkeeper or right mid-field): Winger in the mould of Thierry Henry, but currently between the sticks. Commentates on himself at training, which is weird.

Gav Jones (right back): Army squaddie, so is used to playing on rough terrain – having been to Afghanistan! Dives in like Tom Daley.

Neil Philpotts (centre back): Superb on the ball. Best defender in the division.

Ben Palmer (centre back or centre midfield): No nonsense player. Does the job that doesn't win plaudits. Team pin up.

Rich Baddams (left back or centre back): Solid, competitive and reliable. 'Bash' is awesome in all defensive roles.

Paul Mail (right midfield): Pacy and tricky forward player who has been superb when available to play.

Kevin Booth (attacker or centre midfield): Team's flamboyant midfield master. Once got mistaken for a Frenchman. Played for Reading Reserves and England at youth level.

Sam Robson (centre midfield): Reliable ball winner. Takes fancy players out of the game and has a great engine.

Kevin Thorne (left midfield): In his mid 30s but runs like he's 21. Constantly whining at the ref but makes up for it with goals and assists in abundance.

Andy Dickens (striker or free role): A January acquisition described as Lowford's Lionel Messi. Loves skinny jeans.

Ben Crook (striker): Old-fashioned centre forward. Never fails to turn up without either a hangover, or just looking like he's hungover.

James World (centre midfield): Control and touch are second nature to him. If his legs moved as quickly as his mouth he'd be world class.

Nick Kellaway (striker/assistant boss/chairman): Team's top scorer. Hates losing.

Will Reed (centre back): Absolute unit at 6ft 4in. Wins everything in the air.

Ian Dawson (goalkeeper): Probably the best goalkeeper never to keep a clean sheet. Joined the club more than a decade ago.

Rick Bannister (centre midfield): Hard tackling ball winner in the centre of the park. Mr nice guy... but he'll crunch you to win the ball.

Jeff Sharp (centre back): Solid ball playing defender. Huge and almost unbeatable. Has spent much of the season injured.

Lee Picton (left back): Right footed but always plays left back. Nicknamed Edgar (Davids) due to his sport glasses. Currently out with a broken leg.

Meet the manager

BEN PALMER

Age: 35.

Where are you from: Sholing.

Occupation: Learning and development manager.

Position in the club: Player-manager.

Who do you support: Southampton.

Favourite player: Rickie Lambert

– no matter what he does now he has taken us back to the promised land.

Your best footballing moment: Winning the

Trant Helmand Trophy (charity cup) this season ... against Sholing Ladies.

Best goal you have ever seen: Our champagne player Kevin Booth scoring an absolute screamer of a volley from the halfway line last season.

Ambitions for the club: With the quality we have, we'll be aiming for promotion and a cup next season.



About the team

LOWFORD

Nickname: The Lizards.

Local pub: The Dorchester Arms in Bevois Valley. Nowhere near us but the landlord Ray Bird keeps offering us (yet to be seen) sponsorship money!

The skipper: Nick Kellaway.

The moaner: Kevin Thorne. EVERYTHING is a foul on him.

Mr Motivator: James World. Loves to regale us with stories of his two-footed tackles back in the 1990s.

Worst haircut: Ben Crook. Has Lego hair.

Club joker: Gavin Jones.

The professional: Kevin Booth. Turns up at least half-an-hour before everyone else.

Who owns the worst car and what is it? Will Reed, it's a huge Volvo 4x4. Nice, but the trouble is he isn't 60 or a soccer-mom!

PARK SCRATCHINGS ... PARK SCRATCHINGS

CLOWN KEV HAS



FULL STRETCH:
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IF YOU forget your boots you probably deserve to be voted clown-of-the match.

Although Kevin Thorne got three assists in Lowford's 4-1 home win over FC Wellington in Drew Smith Junior 1, his teammates were unanimous in giving him this 'honour' after he unbelievably forgot his boots.

However, Thorne – with borrowed footwear – turned great entertainer for his side setting up goals for man-of-the-match Andy Dickens (who got a second without Thorne's help), Paul Mail and Ben Crooks.

Dave Swan grabbed a solitary goal for Welly in reply.

Both of these sides have had up and down seasons in Junior 1 where just eight points separate bottom and third.

Lowford climbed to the dizzy heights of third after this win, whereas Wellington dropped to second to bottom, with a relegation battle calling.

The early pressure was all Wellington's. They looked far stronger than their league form suggests, especially on the road where they've failed to win and picked up just three points in seven games.

Despite their endeavour, Welly were first to concede – a familiar story for them this campaign. Lowford broke from their own half and Thorne, leading the charge forward (in someone else's boots),



LOWFORD: Back row (from left): Ben Crook, Andy Dickens, Rich Baddams, Neil Philpotts, Sam Robson and Ben Palmer. Front: Gav Jones, Kevin Thorne, Kevin Booth, Clive Rubenstein, Paul Mail and James World.

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THE LAST LAUGH



UP FOR IT: Lowford's Kev Booth, right, competes for a high ball with Wellington's Rich Herd. Order no: 18108229



TANGLE: Action from Lowford (red/black) v FC Wellington. Order no: 18108209

delivered a classy ball to Dickens's feet.

The striker's finish wouldn't have been out of place in the Premier League; he curled the ball with aplomb into the far corner of the net from the edge of the box.

Dickens, known as 'Forest', was on the score-sheet again ten minutes later.

Forest's second was far less

impressive than his first. His free kick was knocked up from just past halfway, seemingly heading safely into the palms of the Wellington glovesman. But, inexplicably, he charged towards the ball, missing it, before watching it sail helplessly into the net.

It proved to be the end of any hope for his team. Tom Dickson's outfit, who has started so brightly, had

found reverse and five minutes before half-time the game was all but wrapped up for Lowford.

Anyone with a taste for slapstick comedy would have enjoyed this one. Kev Booth volleyed hard and true, although it was hard to tell whether it would have hit the back of the net direct if teammate Crooks hadn't 'intercepted' it with his face! The ball, travelling at pace, flew

off the forward's mush, sending it into the top corner.

The second half was rung in by the fourth – a first class header from Mail. It came from a cross delivered to the letter into the box by Thorne to the right midfielder's head.

Swan popped up for the consolation goal after Jordan Amos whipped the ball into the box.

Who are Ya?

FC WELLINGTON

Nathan John (goalkeeper): Aspirations of becoming a striker. Has the hands of a centre forward but built like a keeper!

Rich Herd (defender): Has a knack of scoring important goals. Last season's reserve team managers' player of the year.

Jack Medhurst (defender): A very good footballer who could play several leagues higher! Wasted at this level.

Dave Swan (centre back): Club captain, leads by example. Pops up with a few goals and has a 100 per cent penalty record. Only took up the game four years ago.

Mark Delves (defender): Reliable defender who is not afraid to put his head in where it hurts! Never lets you down.

Josh Middleton (left midfielder): A manager's nightmare. Frequently answers back, although superb for changing room morale. No goals since the first game of the 2012/2013 season.

Benny Hull (right midfielder): A manager's dream! Athletic and has a footballing brain. Does a job wherever needed on the pitch.

Jordan Amos (centre midfielder): A fantastic footballer, but with minimal end product. Would be playing professionally if he could pass or cross a ball. No league goals this season.

Danny Sabine (centre midfielder): A good footballer; coming back from a series of injuries. Another reliable player.

Dean Janaway (centre midfielder): Formerly the best player at the club. Unfortunately Deano's lifestyle has impacted on his ability to dictate games. Put on the pounds over pre-season, but still a set-piece specialist.

Ryan Leaf (midfielder or attacker): Known as Darren Anderton (sick note). Injuries seem to get worse when the team is struggling! Has very shiny boots.

Rich Eves (utility man): The 'Big Guy' looks a bit like a Gladiator. Plays anywhere through the middle.

Dave Vella (utility man): A fantastic athlete, with dreams of playing football!

Ian Palmer (striker): Very quick but afraid of getting stuck in! Has scored two goals in the last two seasons.

Tom Dickson (utility man): A terrible athlete, with the physique of Gollum. Scored a goal a game last season, but has failed to replicate form this time around.

Meet the manager

Tom Dickson

Age: 27.

Where are you from: The Polygon.

Occupation: Sports lecturer at Southampton Solent University.

Position in the club: Manager/utility player.

Who do you support: Northampton Town FC

(home town).

Favourite player: Steven Gerrard.

Your best footballing moment (playing or watching): Scoring

four goals (and assisting the other) in a 5-4

win last season.

Best goal you have ever seen (preferably at local level but if not anything will do): Dean Janaway's

left foot rocket from 35 yards earlier this season in a 2-1 win.

Ambitions for the club: Survival!



About the team

FC WELLINGTON

A group of 20-something year-old mates, mostly former Southampton Solent University students, taking each weekend as it comes.

Nickname: Welly.

Local pub: The Wellington Arms, Freemantle, Southampton.

The skipper: Dave Swan.

The moaner: Jordan Amos.

Mr Motivator: Dave Vella – an inspiration!

Worst haircut: Josh Middleton – contemplating a hair transplant.

Club joker: Josh Middleton.

The professional: Dave Vella.

Who owns the worst car and what is it?

Probably Mark Delves – he's a mechanic but not sure that even he knows what it is!



FC WELLINGTON: Back row (from left): Ryan Leaf, Dan Sabine, Rich Herd, David Swan, Jack Medhurst, Rich Eves, Ian Palmer and Mark Delves. Front: Dean Janaway, Tom Dickson, Benny Hull, Nathan John, Dave Vella, Josh Middleton, Jordan Amos.

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Youth Football

Beaten but unbowed

GOSPORT & Fareham's brave run in the English Schools FA Under-15 PlayStation Trophy has ended at the quarter-final stage.

They lost 2-0 to South London – the teams having to go head-to-head on consecutive Saturdays following the abandonment of the original tie due to a serious injury.

Gosport central defender Kori Moxham suffered a nasty back injury in the first match which was abandoned after 20 minutes with the score 1-1.

With striker Harvey Bradbury having trials with Portsmouth Academy and top scorer Jordan Goulding slotting in as an emergency centre-back, Gosport sent out a depleted side against South London.

Their makeshift side battled gamely, but were unable to contain a physical and psyched-up South London side, who even had their team manager red carded and sent to the stand!

"On the day it was a fair result, but the lads can look back with huge pride.

"It's some achievement for a little association like ours, which selects from only a handful of schools, to reach the quarter-finals of a national competition," reflected Gosport & Fareham official Bob McHale.

Katie quick to impress

ROMSEY'S Katie George has made an impressive two-goal mark on the England Schools Under-15 girls soccer scene.

The Mountbatten School talent scored two second-half goals as England thrashed the Republic of Ireland 8-0 in an international match at Maidstone.

George, who plays for Hampshire at both soccer and cricket, will turn her all-round attentions to OTs & Romsey in the summer.

Brock's 15 year wait

BROCKENHURST aim to land their first Hampshire Sixth Form Colleges cup success in 15 years when they face mighty Sparsholt in Wednesday's Peter Munro final at the Southampton Solent University stadium, 2pm.

Brock last lifted the trophy in 1999, having won it just once before that in 1987.

Sparsholt, comparatively recent entrants to the local colleges scene, have never won the cup before.

Barton Peveril shape up against South Downs in the Second XI final, while at third team level Brock go head-to-head with Farnborough.

It is the first time in seven years that Itchen have not had a side in any of the county finals.



KINGPINS: Sparsholt College players celebrate winning the English Schools FA Under-18 Colleges Trophy.

Picture courtesy of Scott Cairley

GOALS from Oli Bailey, Ed Chappe and Davis Jerrard secured a memorable 3-2 English Schools FA Under-18 Colleges Trophy final victory for Sparsholt yesterday.

Now the Winchester-based side will go for a cup double against Brockenhurst in the Hampshire Sixth Form Colleges Peter Munro final at Southampton Solent University's Test Park stadium on Wednesday, 2pm, **writes MIKE VIMPANY.**

Played in the impressive Ricoh Arena, estranged home of Coventry City, Sparsholt beat Wigan's John

Sparsholt win English Schools under-18 cup

Rigby College, despite having been on the back foot for the opening 30 minutes and going behind to an early goal.

Sparsholt took a while to settle and adjust to the setting and the Wigan side looked impressive for a while but failed to press home their advantage and paid the ultimate price as Sparsholt hit them with a

double strike before the break and went on to score a third later on.

Sparsholt lost ex-Greggs School midfielder Scott Munro to injury, but seven minutes before the break the close skills of Hursley Park cricketer Oli Bailey created enough room to squeeze a drive past Rigby goalkeeper Tom Hull.

Just on the half-time whistle Ed

Chappe's 25-yarder took a deflection past the wrong-footed Hull and they enjoyed half-time with a deserved 2-1 lead.

Sparsholt withstood predictable early second-half pressure and stretched their lead to 3-1 with Jerrard tapping home a third after Tommy Wright's shot had been blocked. Rigby got it back to 3-2 but Sparsholt weren't to be denied their glory.

Sparsholt squad: Josh Helm, Callum Cuniffe-Pilley, Will Bateman, Scott Munro, Jack Shiner, Tom Pattison, Tommy Wright, Charlie Gunson, Oli Bailey, Ed Chappe, David Jerrard, Hilary Ndagurwa, Mark Childs, Michael Donovan, Keiron Stephens, Macauley Stubbs, Owen Trapnell, Erii Cui, Robaggio Thomas.

Rutten back in goals groove

IT'S taken Tyler Rutten some while to recover from the facial injuries he received at Itchen earlier in the season, but he's now back and scoring goals for Hampshire Sixth Form Colleges newcomers Bournemouth & Poole.

The hat-trick he bagged in the 5-3 win over Totton to take his tally to nine goals in the six games he has played for B & P this season.

The livewire Verwood Town striker wiped out an early Totton lead with two first-half goals which gave Matt Brown's team a 2-1 interval lead.

Totton equalised from a corner, but Rutten was soon back in the action, being tripped for

a penalty which on-song Joe Kimber tucked away for his seventh goal in as many games.

Totton refused to lie down and levelled again at 3-3, but Rutten showed his class with a 25-yard free kick which pointed B & P towards an eventual victory, which Dale Alijah clinched.

Alton romped to their best win of the season, thumping Basingstoke through Sam Jefferies (2), Sam Dew, Dan Mellors, Richard Dane and Alex Small.

It's been a lean fortnight for Richard Tauntons, whose 4-2 defeat at Farnborough was followed by a 2-1 loss at St Vincent, who celebrated only their third win of the campaign.

HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Itchen	15	12	0	3	76	21	39
Brockenhurst	12	8	1	3	42	19	27
Portsmouth	12	7	2	3	47	27	24
Poole	13	7	3	3	33	21	24
Farnborough	14	7	5	2	35	29	23
South Downs	13	7	5	1	49	25	22
Queen Mary's	15	6	5	4	43	44	22
Peter Symonds	14	6	6	2	48	55	20
Richard Taunton	15	6	8	1	45	36	19
Bournemouth	13	6	6	1	30	26	19
Barton Peveril	12	6	5	1	28	29	19
Bournemouth & Poole	13	5	6	2	33	37	17
Sparsholt	10	5	4	1	24	13	16
Havant	11	5	5	1	29	34	16
Alton	13	4	8	1	36	42	13
St Vincent	11	3	8	0	20	52	9
Basingstoke	14	1	12	1	12	56	4
Totton	14	0	12	2	19	73	2



TYLER RUTTEN

Non-league Football

City of Southampton Sunday League

MARVIN McLean's double helped City Central maintain their place at the summit of the City of Southampton Sunday Football League Premier Division.

James Thompson was also on target in their 3-1 home win over fourth-placed KRL. Ben Cooper replied.

Totton Town are second after enjoying 3-1 home rule over Bridge AFC.

Danny Hanlon (2) and Tom Rafferty were on target for Totton. Shaun Casey netted Bridge's consolation.

In the Senior Division, Cricketers Arms drew 1-1 with Eastbrook Harriers. Adam Brown gave Arms a first-half lead which was cancelled out by Michael Hunt in the second half.

Sherfield English (Brian Smith, Ashley Shergold and Mitch Turley) drew 3-3 with Yacht Tavern, the latter keeping their place at the top of the table.

AFC Riverside's Andy Dance scored a double to prevent FC Railway from moving above them at the bottom of the Junior 1 table. Mark Bond and Matthew Taylor replied in the 2-2 draw.

League leaders Glen were stunned at home by Obelisk, who moved up to second with an impressive win 4-0 away win. Goals from Denis Jack, Mitch Turley, Alex Thistle and Lee Ryves secured the points.

In Junior 2, Athletico Tin Hut defeated Lokomotiv Eastleigh 3-1 to leapfrog them into third. Danny Rumsey hit a double and Sam Bradbeer also netted for the winners. Ben Johnson replied.

In the top v bottom clash, runaway leaders AFC Portswood won 2-0 at Fleming Sports thanks to goals from Leo Norman and Mike Green.

Titans moved away from the Junior 3 drop zone with a 2-1 win at AFC Bishopstoke with second-half goals from Jamie Keyte and Sam Bessant. Lewis Alleyne was on target for the hosts.

Bridge Reserves moved up to second with a 2-1 win at AFC Velmore.

Jamie Rosher and Daniel Szasz put the visitors 2-0 up at half-time before Martin Walter replied in the second half.

A late equaliser from Ross Jones rescued a point for league leaders Landgaud Rovers in a 1-1 draw at Chartwell Green Reserves who had led through Gary Klepp.

Bottom side Royal Marine recorded their first win of the season, 3-2 at home to Boyatt Wood Wanderers, thanks to goals from Gift Ngubane, Adam Smith and Charlie Dear.

An Aaron Connelly hat-trick inspired Eastpoint to a 5-0 demolition of Sherfield English Reserves in Junior 4. Pete Parker and Jamie Brennan were also on target.

Test Valley Spartans are top of



DOUBLE: City Central's Marvin McLean.

CENTRAL COMMAND

Junior 5 on goal difference after a 3-1 away win against Bannister Park.

Tom Reed, Dave Walker and Stu Appleby all hit the back of the net, while Murray Purves replied.

AFC Marchwood, who have a game in hand on Spartans, missed the opportunity to go two points clear at the top as they drew 1-1 at Burr Ridge AFC.

Ben Saunders levelled for the visitors in the second half after his team fell behind to an own goal in the first half.

A Luke Chalmers hat-trick inspired bottom of the league Portside to a great comeback against Cherbourg.

After being 4-1 down at half-time, Portside roared back to draw 5-5.

Jason McHugh and David Fitzpatrick were also on the score-sheet for Portside.

Sporting Compass won 5-1 at AFC Bishopstoke Reserves in Junior 6 with goals from Jacob Wilkes, Melvin Rogers, Neil Curran, Matt Jarvis and James Harvey.

AFC Southbrook extended their

lead to eight points at the top of the table with 4-1 home rule over Unity.

All the goals came in the second half. John Durman (2), Ryan Longhurst and Ryan Kajko netted for Southbrook while Nasser Brora replied for Unity.

The day's top scorers, Curbridge, thrashed Athletico Totton 12-1 - Liam Slade leading the way with four goals. Russ Barfoot and Glenn Littleboy weighed in with trebles while Jack Buss and James Pitre were also on target. David Woods bagged Totton's consolation.

Toby Withey's four-goal blast inspired Bitterne Ducks to a 6-1 win at New Bridge. Bitterne scored three either side of half-time as they continued recent form and extended their lead at the top of Junior 7.

Michael Thomas and Josh Hunt hit singles for Dicks while Matt Oxford netted for the hosts.

Testwood Tornados are still pointless after suffering a 3-1 home reverse against Netley RBL.

Scott Cole, Jon Burwell and Harrison Martin netted for Netley while Karl Hopkins replied.



OPENER: Southampton Saints' Midge Browning (yellow strip) watches her shot hit the back of the Newquay net.

Browning sets tone for Saints

SOUTHAMPTON Saints G&L FC eased their South West Combination League drop fears with a 5-0 at fellow strugglers Newquay AFC Ladies.

The visitors never looked back after Midge Browning put them ahead on six minutes with a neat finish.

Amber Siley doubled Saints' advantage and they led 2-0 at half-time.

The second half saw Bex Davis who was carrying a knock replaced by Becki Bath who was making her Saints debut.

Siley scored her second to put Saints three up after the restart and debutante Becki Bath, on as a half-time sub for the injured Bex Davis, made it 4-0 with a powerful, low strike.

Siley set the seal on victory with her hat-trick goal, an accurate strike into the corner of the goal.

Saints also had cup success last week, defeating Southampton Women FC 6-0 in the semi-final of the Southampton Divisional FA Cup. Midge Browning led the way for Saints with a double.

● Saints' under-16s won 6-1 away at Corfe Castle.

Elidh Currie and Hannah Richards put the visitors in command before the hosts pulled a goal back before the break.

Saints came on strong in the second half. They were solid at the back - Kayleigh Tonks, Charlie Hall, Coral Oakley, and keeper Ella Hunkin all doing well - and added four goals without reply.

Tiff Eley made it 3-1 and further strikes from Pearce, Oakley and Belinda Villa completing the rout.

● Saints' under-13s impressed when beating Hedge End 3-0.

Saints played some neat football in the first period but a combination of wayward finishing and the Hedge End keeper meant the half finished goalless.

After the break, Saints sealed victory with goals from Sarah Williamson (2) and Maisie Steggle.

Player of the match: Alisha Buckingham.

● Improving Romsey under-12s gave Saints a real fight.

Last time that these two sides met Saints won 6-0 but this time around the margin of victory was just a single goal, Jennifer King's brace helping Saints to a 2-1 verdict.

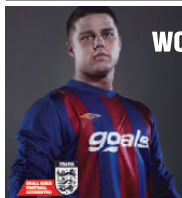
● A gutsy second-half performance secured Southampton Saints U11 Devils a 1-0 victory over Winchester City Flyers U12.

Larissa White scored what proved to be the winner in the first half, but Saints had to withstand long periods of Winchester pressure in the second half - defenders Kaytlin Roberts, Lucy Nightingale and Sophie Shiner, and keeper Emily Gardner impressing.

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STUART BROAD (Captain, Age 27, Caps 51):

Broad's performances stood up where others' did not on England's miserable tour of Australia. His next challenge is

to try to make his country competitive, in the absence of the retired Kevin Pietersen, in a tournament many expect will simply be beyond them.

MOEEN ALI (26,

0): Fluent and wristy left-hander, whose county career is sufficiently productive for this international call-up. Moeen's impressive Twenty20 strike-rate and handy off-spin were doubtless persuasive factors too.



RAVI BOPARA

(28, 29): It is hard to fathom that, after around 130 limited-overs caps, Bopara is still to truly establish himself. A wonderful

stroke-maker, with a power game too, he still has potential to do much better than his international statistics suggest. Bopara's medium-pace variations, with a sub-continental global tournament in the offing, are a significant secondary asset.

TIM BRESNAN

(29, 28): Back in harness for all formats, at his best Bresnan is a pivot for the pace attack and can help to finish an innings with the bat.



JOS BUTTLER

(wkt, 23, 28): Has looked a superstar batsman in the making on several occasions. Buttler's work behind the stumps is also

much-improved, and he in particular has much to gain - with a Test career possibly soon within his grasp too.

JADE DERNBACH

(27, 28): Is he the master of or a slave to his many pace variations? The jury is out, and Dernbach may soon be on borrowed time. But in Bangladesh, he should have the

right conditions to prove his worth.

ALEX HALES

(25, 24): England's top-order blaster has misfired on occasion this winter, but can put his team well ahead of the game if he stays



the course.

World t20 preview ... World t20 preview ...

THERE is little prospect of England regaining their ICC World Twenty20 crown in Bangladesh.

When England beat the world at cricket - still for the one and only time - in this competition four years ago, it was a shock to many, writes **DAVID CLOUGH**.

Yet back then, under Andy Flower's burgeoning regime, they had won an initial Ashes on home soil the previous summer and then made the Champions Trophy semi-finals - admittedly where they were trounced by Australia - before a winter spent fighting out a tough drawn Test series in South Africa and then recording a routine win in Bangladesh.

Ashley Giles' CV as limited-overs coach has a significantly less solid look to it to date.

The highlight is a Champions Trophy campaign on home soil, which took England all the way to the final last summer.

Yet even then, on an Edgbaston surface somehow borrowed from Mumbai, England perhaps not that surprisingly came up just short in a match shortened coincidentally to 20 overs per side.

In the intervening months, there have been many more downs than ups for England - to the extent that qualification for the last four, in Dhaka via Chittagong, would be a major achievement.

Significant opponents will stand in their way to get as far as the knockout stages.

New Zealand have plenty of fire-power and nous; Sri Lanka have ended England's interest in the last two global tournaments, both also on the sub-continent, and South Africa are a formidable if occasionally flaky team in all formats.

Finally, a qualifier - very likely Ireland - will be England's last hurdle in Chittagong.

After the events of Bangalore in 2011, where Kevin O'Brien unforgettably hoisted Ireland to an astonishing victory, England know they cannot count on success against their neighbours any more.

An Irishman could well decide, nonetheless, whether England are competitive or otherwise in the main.

Giles, right, and captain Stuart Broad were in no mood to take any chances with Eoin Morgan's fitness once he hurt his knee at the start of their ongoing short tour of



the West Indies.

England know the key middle-order batsman is their ace in the pack.

With him, others may perhaps play above themselves or - in the case of rising stars Jos Buttler

and Ben Stokes - have their own breakthrough tournament.

Without Morgan's pivotal presence, the challenge of chasing targets in particular may just be all too much.

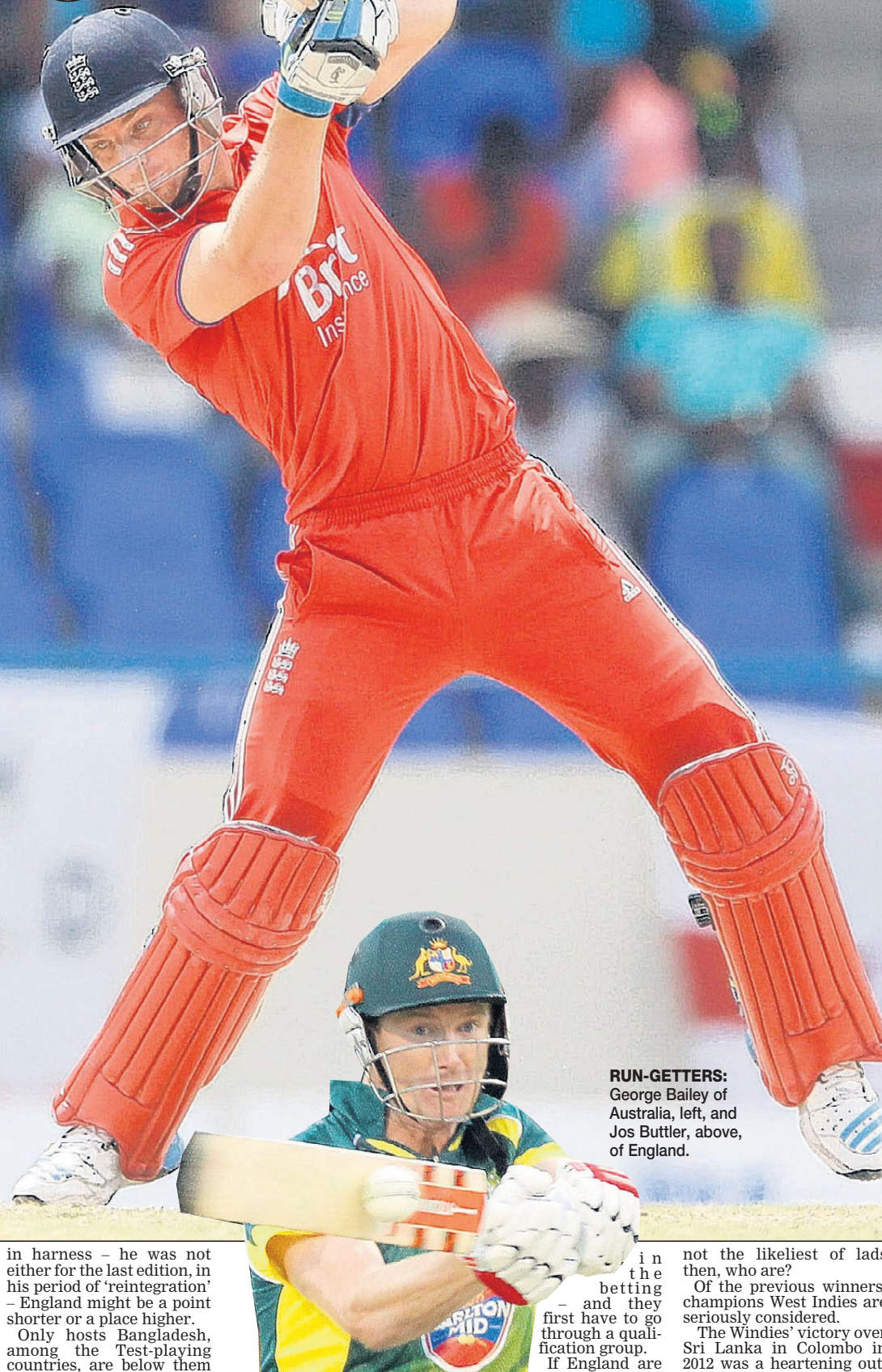
It is not without good reason that the bookmakers, albeit in a tight market, have England as the least likely of the top eight nations to be this year's Twenty20 champions.

Were Kevin Pietersen still

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NOT A GREAT DEAL



RUN-GETTERS:
George Bailey of
Australia, left, and
Jos Buttler, above,
of England.

in harness – he was not either for the last edition, in his period of ‘reintegration’ – England might be a point shorter or a place higher.

Only hosts Bangladesh, among the Test-playing countries, are below them

in the betting – and they first have to go through a qualification group. If England are

not the likeliest of lads then, who are?

Of the previous winners, champions West Indies are seriously considered.

The Windies’ victory over Sri Lanka in Colombo in 2012 was a heartening out-

come, even if it dampened some of the local fireworks back then.

In stifling conditions which will test everyone’s mettle this time, both underfoot and overhead, Bangladesh is merely an extreme version of what the Windies often encounter on home soil.

Darren Sammy’s team will be heading back east with plenty of big hitters including the captain, fit-again pair Chris Gayle and Marlon Samuels – although not Kieron Pollard – and the wiles of spinners Sunil Narine and Samuel Badree.

Others, nonetheless, appear to have the edge in appropriate personnel.

This title means a fair bit to India these days, certainly more so than it did when they were inaugural winners in South Africa in 2007.

That success helped to spawn the Indian Premier League and therefore changed the course of cricket history.

Seven years on, India – slightly more so than Pakistan and probably South Africa – have a team of superstars that could easily win again.

Expectation inevitably weighs heavily in their case, though.

It did not stop them on the biggest stage of all, in Mumbai in 2011, or when England wobbled in Birmingham either. But on plenty of other occasions, it has.

Sri Lanka, twice beaten finalists, are regular challengers in this format. The current side, however, does not quite look to be a percentage call.

Instead, perhaps the likeliest winners hail from a country which has surprisingly never won this tournament.

Under Michael Clarke in 2010, Australia found England too hot to handle in the Bridgetown final – their best effort to date.

Two years later in Sri Lanka they were comparative also-rans, brushed aside by the Windies in the semi-finals.

But they return with most of their big guns intact – and former Hampshire batsman George Bailey is among the best t20 internationals in the world in the past 12 months – and others ready to fire.

Australia have excelled again recently in Test cricket, to England’s great cost, and they may have all bases covered in the Twenty20 format too.

It is hard to find a weak link in their powerhouse batting line-up and they have been pragmatic in the selection of evergreens Brad Hodge and Brad Hogg to excel in the conditions.

It could just be their turn this time.

CHRIS JORDAN (25, 1): The pace-bowling all-rounder has shown enough promise to suggest a substantial international future, and will be a handy alternative if Dembach’s bearings are off.



MICHAEL LUMB (34, 20): The 2010 World Twenty20 winner is hit-and-miss, as befits an international short-format specialist opener. Only Buttler can boast a higher strike rate, but a big tournament lies ahead for Lumb to demonstrate he is part of England’s present and future.

EOIN MORGAN (27, 41): England’s most reliable limited-overs batsman will need to be the linchpin again if they are to prosper in an improbable bid to claim the West Indies’ crown. The stakes are high for Morgan, with a Test return also on the agenda after his decision to forego those Indian Premier League riches this time round.



STEPHEN PARRY (28, 0): The slow left-arm has been on England’s radar, via the Lions, for some time – but the younger Danny Briggs was initially preferred. If Parry gets such a high-profile chance, he can only hope for a happier time than his Lancashire team-mate Simon Kerrigan endured on debut in last year’s Ashes Test at The Oval.

JOE ROOT (23, 7): Root remains one for England’s future, despite his largely disappointing Ashes winter. He needs to demonstrate a power game, though, to stay in the Twenty20 squad.

However inventive, there is no place in the shortest format for a batsman who cannot clear the ropes. Root’s off-spin is vulnerable at present, but has evident potential.



BEN STOKES (22, 5): Along with Buttler, all-rounder Stokes will surely be a pillar of England’s teams across the formats for years to come. He has already shown his power and touch with the bat, pace with the ball and in the field.

JAMES TREDWELL (32, 8): England’s ‘steady Eddie’ off-spinner can be expected to come into his own in the sub-continent. Tredwell’s skill is his control, flight and an ability to out-think many batsmen.

LUKE WRIGHT (29, 49): A 2010 World Twenty20 winner in the Caribbean, Wright brings energy with bat, sometimes ball and always in the field. His athleticism and eye have increasingly made him a short-format shoe-in for England over the years.



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HISTORY OF THE WORLD TWENTY20

THE fifth edition of the World Twenty20 will begin in Bangladesh later this month. There have been four different winners so far, and while the tournament is only seven years old, the shortest format has produced plenty of memorable moments.

Here The Sports Pink takes a quick look at the previous tournaments:

2007 - Hosts: South Africa. Final: India defeat Pakistan by five runs. Yuvraj Singh became the first batsman to hit six sixes in a Twenty20 international when he took to Stuart Broad in a Super Eight match. Yuvraj's hitting was the highlight on a run to the final, where they beat arch-rivals Pakistan in a gripping contest in Johannesburg by just five runs.

2009 - Hosts: England. Final: Pakistan beat Sri Lanka by eight wickets.

Hosts England never recovered after a last-ball loss to Holland while Sri Lanka opener Tillakaratne Dilshan, right,

unveiled the 'Dil-scoop' as he was crowned 'Player of the Series' on the back of a tournament-best 317 runs. Dilshan made a duck in the Lord's final, though, as Shahid Afridi's unbeaten 54 from 40 balls steered Pakistan home.

2010 - Hosts: West Indies. Final: England beat Australia by seven wickets.

England claimed their first ever global ICC tournament title as man-of-the-series Kevin Pietersen helped steer them to victory over their age-old rivals Australia in Barbados. Australia had only reached the final following some astonishing hitting from Michael Hussey in their semi-final against Pakistan. With 48 required from the last 17 balls, Hussey's unbeaten 24-ball 60 got his side home with a ball in hand.

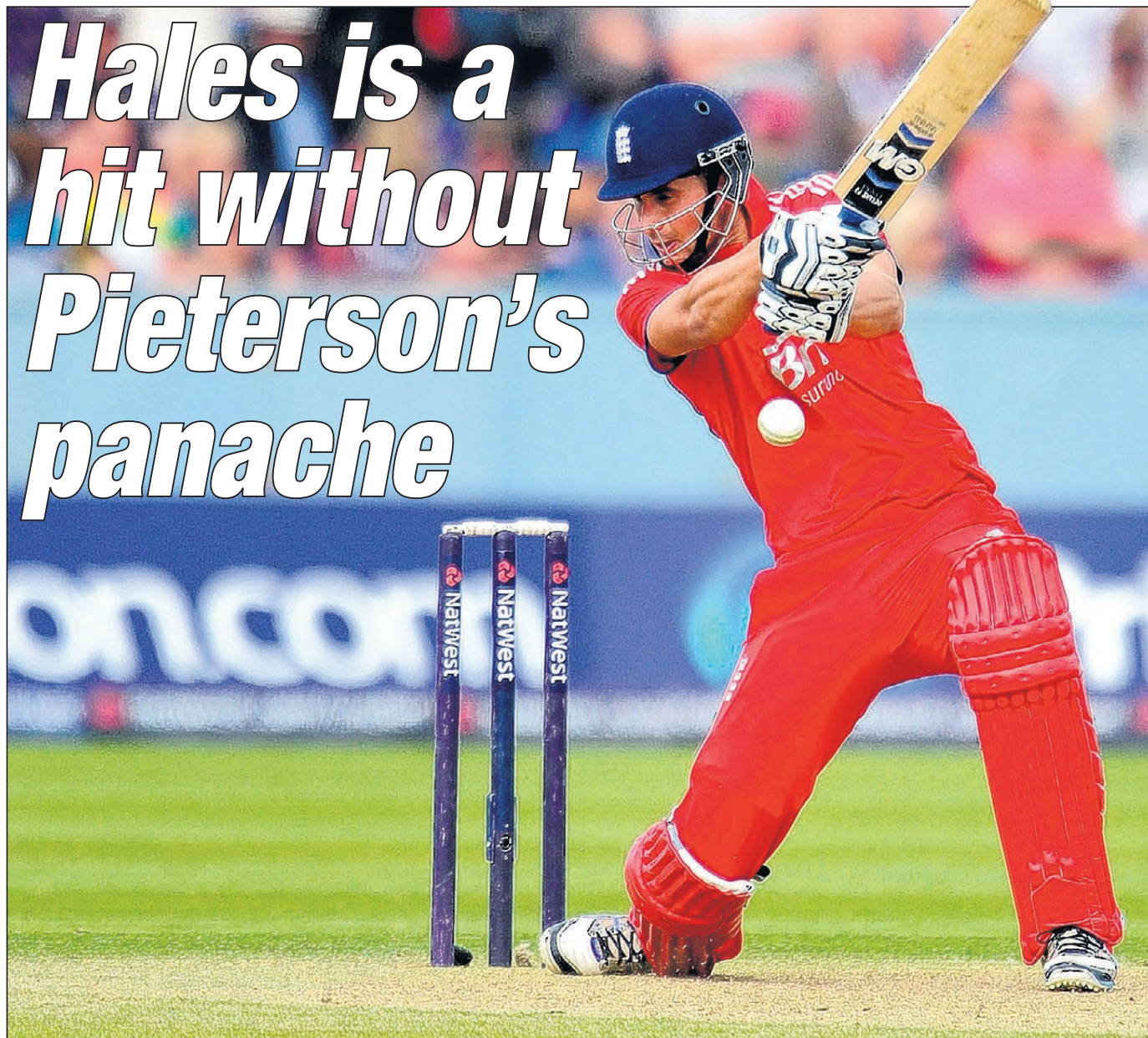
2012 - Hosts: Sri Lanka. Final: West Indies beat Sri Lanka by 36 runs.

West Indies secured a popular win after they bowled out Sri Lanka for 101 in the final. Player-of-the-series Ajantha Mendis had taken four for 15 to restrict the Windies to 137 for six. Sunil Narine replied in kind with three for nine to prompt typically exuberant celebrations from the Calypso side, led by Chris Gayle.



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Hales is a hit without Pieterse's panache



ALEX Hales could walk down most high streets in the country without being recognised, but he will be a marked man when he strides out to open the batting for England at the World Twenty20.

Hales does not have the appearance of a global superstar in the making – there is no flashy hair-style a-la a young Kevin Pietersen and none of the 100-watt aura that marks out Virat Kohli as India's next cricketing deity – but he has spent much of the past year as the ICC's number one batsman in the format.

In an era where the ability to consistently clear the ropes in 20-over cricket is a guaranteed path to glitz, glamour and gargantuan pay packets, Hales is going places.

It was perhaps a surprise to see the Nottinghamshire batsman overlooked at the recent Indian Premier League auction, the latest victim of an endemic indifference to England players among franchise owners.

But they may not be able to resist for long if the 25-year-old can deliver on the biggest stage of all.

He would need to up his recent output to do so, having undergone a lean spell series against Australia earlier this year, followed by a modest time in the Big Bash League with Adelaide Strikers. But with Pietersen now in England's past, at least for the selectors if not the gossip mongers and Twitterati, they are a nation searching for a new standard-bearer in Twenty20.

Wicketkeeper Jos Buttler is dripping with 'X

Factor' and has a repertoire of strokes that empties bars and confounds captains, but he often bats too low to make a tournament-defining contribution.

Instead it is Hales who looks best placed to consistently shape matches from the head of the innings. And if England are to defy the odds and follow up their 2010 success, he is the man most likely to replicate Pietersen's man-of-the-tournament effort.

Hales has the luxury of being considered a T20 specialist – which is bad news for his Test ambitions but at least leaves him clear to spend more time on his power-hitting and less hon-

ing his forward defensive.

His international career started ignominiously with a two-ball duck against India at Old Trafford, but his statistical breakdown since that day is highly persuasive.

An average hovering around the mid-thirties and a strike-rate south of 135 runs per hundred balls is match-winning stuff in the current climate and his ability to post major totals places him in elite company.

The old cricketing lexicon, so long built around five-fors, half-centuries and hundreds, has been challenged to the extent that Twenty20 tournaments now track how many 'thirties' a batsman has scored in the format.

But Hales does not settle for relatively trifling totals and has twice come within striking distance of making England's first Twenty20 ton.

Anyone who saw his boyishly impudent 99 against West Indies in just his fifth England innings, or his relentless 94 against Australia last summer, would not bet against him claiming the distinction soon.



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CHRIS GALE

MOST RUNS

Mahela Jayawardene 858 (25 matches) (2007-2012)

MOST RUNS IN A TOURNAMENT

Tillakaratne Dilshan - 317 (7 matches) (2009)[2]

TOP INDIVIDUAL SCORE

Brendan McCullum v Bangladesh 123 (58 balls) (2012)

MOST 50+ SCORES

Chris Gayle 7 (18 matches) (2007-2012)

HIGHEST STRIKE RATE(Minimum 125 balls faced)
Chris Gayle 152.29 (18 matches) (2007-2012)**HIGHEST AVERAGE**(Minimum of 10 innings)
Rohit Sharma 55.50 (17 matches) (2007-2012)[2]**HIGHEST PARTNERSHIP**

Mahela Jayawardene and Kumar Sangakkara v West Indies 166 (99 balls) (second wicket) (2010)

MOST FOURS

Mahela Jayawardene 62 (18 matches) (2007-2010)

MOST FOURS IN A TOURNAMENT

Tillakaratne Dilshan 46 (7

matches) (2009)[2]

MOST FOURS IN AN INNINGS

Herschelle Gibbs v West Indies 14 (2007)

MOST SIXES

Chris Gayle 43 (18 matches) (2007-2012)

MOST SIXES IN A TOURNAMENT

Chris Gayle 16 (2012)

JAMES Tredwell may have sold relatively few ICC World Twenty20 tickets, compared to some of the big names on show from other countries or even his England team-mates in Bangladesh.

England are well aware of his potential, however, especially in subcontinental conditions, *writes DAVID CLOUGH.*

It was in Chennai, for example, that Tredwell's canny off-breaks cut off West Indies' master-blasters Chris Gayle in his prime to help find a route for England to the 2011 World Cup knockout stages.

Gayle was in full flow, 43 from 21 balls after smashing eight fours and a mighty six off Chris Tremlett and Tim Bresnan, when Tredwell tamed him.

West Indies were under orders to better England's 243 all out quickly, on a snaky surface sure to stop the batsmen's fun once the new ball lost its bite.

But Gayle got them only as far as 58 in less than seven overs before 'tricky Tredders' trapped him.

Despite some late hitting from Andre Russell, another Tredwell lbw victim, the Windies were bowled out 18 runs short - with more than five overs unused - as England's off-spinners, Graeme Swann the accomplice, took seven for 84 in their full 20 overs.

England will doubtless be deploying Tredwell again in their group matches in Chittagong, and beyond if they progress - perhaps alongside fellow off-spinner Moeen Ali or skiddy left-arm orthodox Stephen Parry this time - to try to hold their own in a tournament few expect them to take by storm.

Tredwell himself is modest about his initial success against Gayle, but makes it clear he is up for the challenge again if it comes against the current short-format world champions.

"That was more luck than judgment," said the 32-year-old, preferred for the World t20 to Hampshire's Danny Briggs.

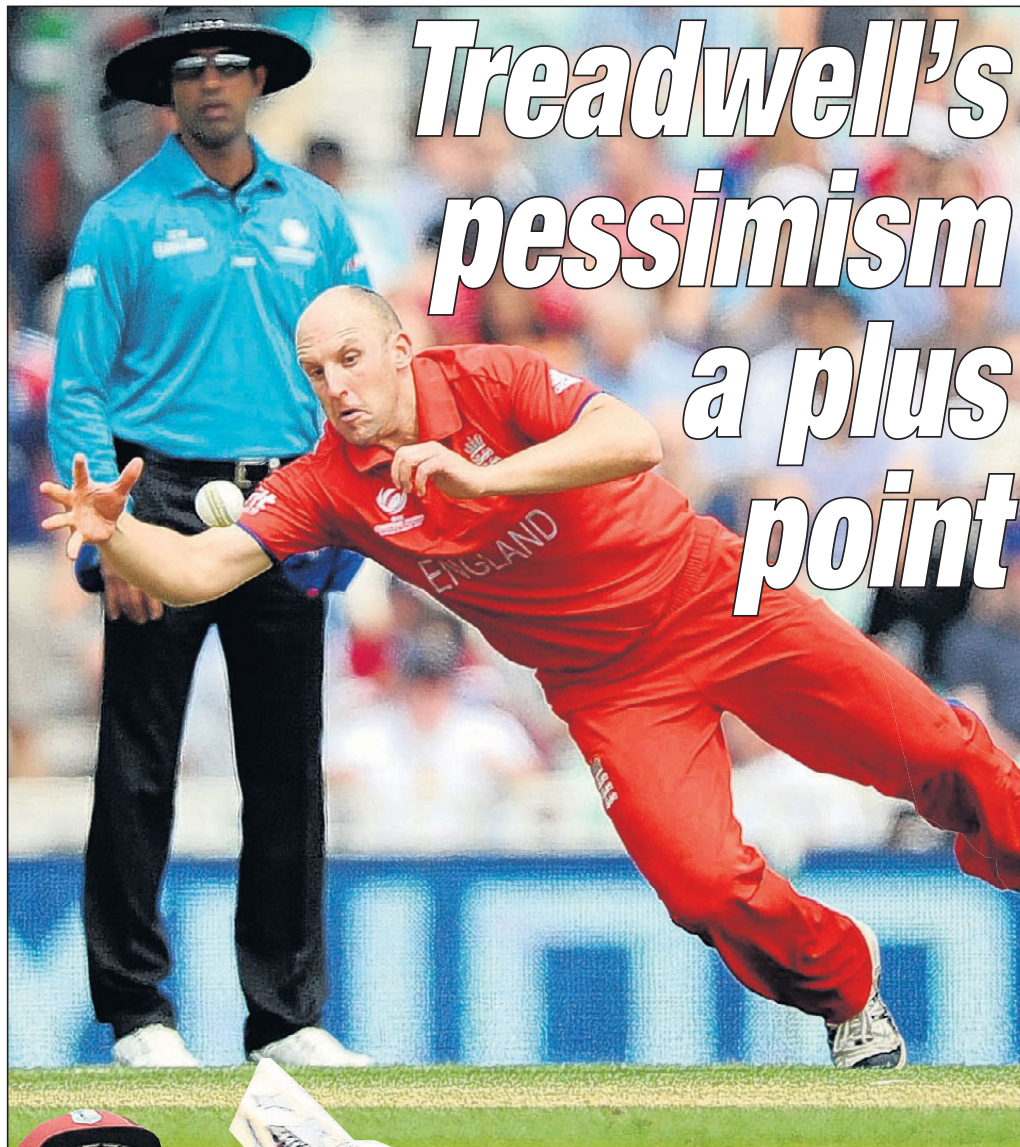
"He's a great player, and whenever you come across the world's best you want to test your skills against them."

If Tredwell is to rise to the occasion again, Bangladesh - where he won his solitary Test cap to date, back in 2010 and once again of course alongside the now retired Swann - is surely his manor.

The former Kent captain is not one to trumpet his own credentials, however.

"I'm a pessimistic sort of fella and perhaps look at the negatives," he said.

"But maybe that's a bit of a strength, because it drives me on to try to keep on getting better and putting in performances."



For Tredwell, Twenty20 success could even prove a passport to a Test match return this summer.

England lost Swann to the ageing process mid-Ashes this winter - and although Tredwell is only two years his junior, the prospect of a Test career will doubtless sustain him for longer.

He fared well enough in that debut Test - six wickets in an England victory, at the Dhaka venue which will be the scene of this year's World Twenty20 final. England will have to out-perform odds and expectations, and then some, to grant Tredwell a happy return to the Sher-e-Bangla

National Stadium.

Although much stranger things have happened in cricket, true to type, the modest and circumspect Tredwell will be taking nothing for granted.

Not even a place in England's first-choice line-up, a given in most people's eyes, is assured as far as he is concerned.

"If I continue to do what I do off the field and keep my work ethic I feel I can put in the performances which ultimately will get me in the team," he said.

"But I don't want to look too far ahead thinking I'm a regular, because I think that can lead you to relax - and I don't want to do that."

He should have little chance to do so in Bangladesh, irrespective of England's collective fortunes.

Did You Know?

FIVE PLAYERS TO WATCH

THE performances of one player can turn a Twenty20 match like no other cricket format.

Here, the Sports Pink takes a look at five potential match-winners at the upcoming World Twenty20.

SHAKIB AL-HASAN (BANGLADESH)

Bangladesh's hopes of going deep into a tournament on home soil will rest heavily on the shoulders of Shakib Al-Hasan. One of the world's best all-rounders in the shortest format, Shakib landed himself in hot water last month for making an inappropriate gesture to a TV camera during a one-day international against Sri Lanka. He was banned for three matches and, after Bangladesh faltered in the Asia Cup having initially played without him, may feel he has a point to prove.

AARON FINCH (AUSTRALIA)

Arguably the heaviest hitter in a brutal Australian top order that includes David Warner and Shane Watson. Finch smashed his way to notoriety with a world-record 156 from 63 balls against England in Southampton last August. Two centuries in the ODI series against England in the winter confirmed his Rose Bowl exploits were no one-off.

SUNIL NARINE (WEST INDIES)

Spin is set to play a major part in Bangladesh - where only two grounds will be used - and the mystery spin of Narine looms as a vital weapon in West Indies' defence of their title. The 25-year-old has made his name in the Indian Premier League - he has taken a competition-best 46 wickets in the past two editions - while he has taken 28 T20 international wickets at 17.64.

BRENDON MCCULLUM (NEW ZEALAND)

The New Zealander is in white-hot form after twice passing 200 in the Test series against India.

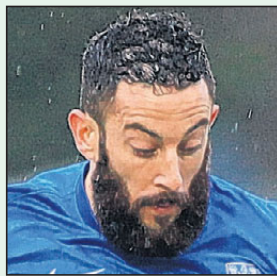
Translating that to the shortest format should hardly be a problem for the 32-year-old, who has long been one of the hardest hitters of a cricket ball in the world. His astute captaincy will also be an important factor for the Black Caps.



DALE STEYN (SOUTH AFRICA)

While other nations are set to rely on their slow bowlers, South Africa's bid to win the tournament for the first time will likely rest on their quicks. Steyn is the spearhead of everything the Proteas do and with Morne Morkel - the leading wicket-taker at the 2012 IPL - forms a fearsome new-ball attack. The Proteas will be hoping he is fully recovered from the hamstring strain suffered in the third Test against Australia.

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STUART FLEETWOOD

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"If somebody tells me I'm doing something wrong, I'll take it on board and try to improve.

"I've played the majority of my career through the middle as a striker, but I think, as I'm getting older and gaining more experience, I can do a better job out wide, and then tucking in sometimes and moving around the pitch.

"As I'm learning more, I know when I can come inside and I'm lucky in that I usually have Michael Green behind me who is a very competent defender.

"He's quick and rarely gets caught out, so that gives me a licence to 'cheat' a little bit and get forward more than most wide players do.

"I like the position. I like to cut in onto my right foot, and this year I've really tried to learn to go down the left onto my weaker foot as well.

"I'm definitely enjoying it out there and with the performances and the goals we're scoring, the formation works well for us."

If there were any doubters regarding the likely commitment to the Eastleigh cause of a footballer who, when he arrived at the Silverlake in July last year, was dropping into the Conference South after a career spent in the Football League and Conference Premier, their fears will have been hastily assuaged.

By the time he was ripping off his shirt to reveal the rippling torso that is testament to a virtuous lifestyle, and joining jubilant Spitfires fans in celebration of that electrifying strike at Eastbourne, Fleetwood's rampaging, energetic displays had long since convinced of his dedication to Eastleigh FC.

The Gloucester-born player confirmed just how much he is enjoying his time as part of Richard Hill's promotion chasers in January; agreeing, six months after his move south, to extend his stay at the club through to the end of season 2014/2015.

"When I came in I was a big name stepping down a league, but with my experience and the level I've played at before I want to get this club as high as possible.

"I don't want to be in this league longer than one season, and hopefully I won't be.

"I'm looking to push us on and, wherever I am, if I'm playing, I'll try and give everything and run until the last minute.

"I think that's the philosophy we've got here.

"We've scored a lot of late winners and that shows the character we've got. I think we'll be able to continue that.

"As soon as the gaffer signed his contract, he gave me a ring and said he wanted to sign me for next season.

"I said 'yes' straight away. "I like what the club's doing – I like how it's run.

"They try and do everything properly. If the lads need to stay over in hotels they'll put us up.

"The training is excellent. "Even the smaller details – like having the kit sorted – are important.

"If all those things weren't right, I maybe could have thought 'shall I leave it and chance it with another club in the summer', but as soon as the manager asked me it was done pretty quickly.

"It wasn't a difficult decision." "One of the top ones" is Fleetwood's categorical view on where being part of a promotion winning Eastleigh unit would rank in his list of playing accomplishments.

He might have earned a move to Championship side Charlton Athletic on the back of his golden campaign at Forest Green, and counted Gareth Bale and Joe Ledley as colleagues in Welsh under-21 teams, but the beat of Fleetwood's words definitely quicken as he considers the prospect of being a championship winner.

"It would be massive. "I've had a promotion with Hereford through the play-offs (into League Two in 2006), and a promotion with Exeter City, (out of League Two in 2009) but I didn't spend the full season at either club.

"Eastleigh is a big club – we've got a lot of pressure on us and everybody is expecting us to go up.

"If we fulfil that, then it would be a great achievement.

"I've been at Luton for the last two years.

"It looks like they're going to go up this year and finally fulfil their potential, but this is their fifth season in the Conference.

"It's taken them a long time, so for Eastleigh to do it in their first full season when they've had strong backing would be a terrific feat.

"To spend the whole season at the club, with a tight group of players – I think we've only got 16 or 17 first-team professionals – it would be fantastic.

"We've still got two games in hand, and Bromley to play (on April 8) which is massive.

"Things might change and it could be all over by then. Funnier things have happened.

"But, it is most likely that that game will be huge and could even decide it.

"It's not nice for them, looking down and seeing us, from 11 points behind two weeks ago, now five points behind (a deficit reduced to two points after Eastleigh beat Chelmsford City 1-0 on Tuesday night, while Bromley slumped 4-0 at home against Dover).

"That must be tough for them to take, and we're not going to let our foot off the gas".

On April 26 the final occupant of the Conference South's Number One spot will be resolved once and for all.

Three days earlier Stuart Fleetwood will have turned 28; another year's wisdom accrued by a footballer who is always seeking "to learn and improve".

The celebratory drinks will go down rather more smoothly if he is toasting a first league winners' medal.

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7	402533	WELSH INLET (IRE) (16) (CD) J Bridger 6 8 7 ... R White (5) 5

BETTING: 5-2 Seamster, 7-2 Secret Millionaire, 5-1 Welease Bwian, 11-2 Dishy Guru, 13-2 Ladweb, 10-1 Welsh Inlet, 12-1 Island Legend.

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6	WONDER WEAPON (GER) A Balding 3 8 8 ... D Probert 1
7	ARIANRHOD (IRE) (14) M Botti 3 8 3 ... P Sirigu 5
8	DREAM BIG (IRE) Miss J Crowley 3 8 3 7

BETTING: 6-5 Arianrhod, 9-2 Wonder Weapon, 13-2 Dream Big, 10-1 Wings Of Fire, Sea Tiger, 14-1 Russian Remarque, 16-1 Diamond Back, Buy Out Boy.

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3	566-22	SUPER DUPLEX (14) (CD) R Teal 7 9 6 ... R Hughes 2
4	0-0452	ELEGANT OPHELIA (14) D Ivory 5 9 6 ... A Kirby 5
5	0040-2	ORPENARRY (IRE) (20) P Burgoyne 6 9 4 ... D Kenny (5) 6
6	00-040	LILY EDGE (14) (C) J Bridger 5 9 3 ... R White (5) 9
7	3-0030	JAMES POLLARD (IRE) (12) J J Llewellyn 9 8 12 ... M Lane 3
8	00-232	DANCE (18) S Millman 5 8 9 ... F Tylicki 8
9	0-6440	BEGGERS BELIEF (C) Miss Z Davison 6 8 9 ... L Keniry 7
10	0440-6	BOOKTHEBAND (IRE) (56) C Brittain 4 8 9 ... Hayley Turner 10

BETTING: 4-1 Thane Of Cawdor, 9-2 Super Duplex, 11-2 Elegant Ophelia, 6-1 Dance, 7-1 Orpenarry, 10-1 Beggars Belief, Booktheband, 12-1 Maison Brillet, 14-1 others.

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2	1265-2	MANOMINE (12) (C) C Brittain 5 9 4 ... F Tylicki 5
3	0-0000	PLANETOID (IRE) (16) (CD) Jim Best 6 9 3 ... April Kitchenner 7
4	606-00	THECONISHCOWBOY (16) (CD)BF J Ryan 5 9 3 ... A Kirby 4
5	46-42	ALDEBURGH (33) J Old 5 9 2 ... G Baker 7

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6	0-2	CRAZEE DIAMOND (21) M Channon 3 8 8 ... W Twiston-Davies (3) 2
7	33	ROLE REVERSAL (14) J Tate 3 8 8 ... L Morris 1

BETTING: 9-4 Role Reversal, 11-4 Torridon, 10-3 Jan Van Hoof, 4-1 Crazee Diamond, 11-1 Stoneacre Hull, 25-1 Countess Lupus, 50-1 Mrs Medley.

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2	64316-	WHO'S SHIRT (179) C Fairhurst 8 9 7 ... P Mulrennan 3
3	103-23	CANON LAW (IRE) (37) (BF) D O'Meara 4 9 6 ... D Tudhope 2
4	000-00	BUZZ LAW (IRE) (23) K Burke 6 8 7 4
5	0/606-	ZAMMY (299) M Wigham 5 8 7 1

BETTING: 11-10 Tee It Up Tommo, 9-4 Canon Law, 6-1 Zammy, 8-1 Who's Shirt, 12-1 Buzz Law.

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3	4120-3	MONTTE CASSINO (IRE) (6) (CD) B Smart 9 9 6 ... G Chaloner (3) 7
4	2005-0	GLENRIDDING (35) (CD) J Given 10 9 6 ... T Queally 1
5	3-5046	DARNATHEAN (14) (D) P D'Arcy 5 9 5 ... S Levey 4
6	10300-	PRIGNSNOV DANCER (IRE) (80) (CD) Mrs D Sanderson 9 9 4 A Parkes (7) 3
7	028005	WATERLOO DOCK (12) (D) M Quinn 9 9 9 ... P Aspell 8
8	-00040	COACH MONTANA (IRE) (12) Mrs C Dunnett 5 8 7 ... L Morris 9
9	60-065	HOLD THE STAR (49) (CD) Miss A Stokell 8 8 7 ... Ann Stokell (5) 6

BETTING: 2-1 Kasbho, 7-2 Izzy Boy, 9-2 Monte Cassino, 6-1 Darnatheat, 10-1 Prigsnov Dancer, 11-1 Glenridding, 16-1 Waterloo Dock, 20-1 Coach Montana, 50-1 Hold The Star.

4.30 32RED HANDICAP (CLASS 6). £3,500 added 4YO PLUS 2m 119yds Penalty Value £2,264.

1	4-6213	FAIR BREEZE (17) (C) R Phillips 7 9 7 ... K Shoemark (7) 2
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Monday's runners

6	00-554	REFLECT (IRE) (11) (CD) D Shaw 6 9 2 ... D Swift 6
7	230/32	ROCKY ELSOM (USA) (19) D Arbuthnot 7 8 11 ... J Crowley 3

BETTING: 15-8 Manomine, 7-2 Tafawuk, 11-2 Aldeburgh, 6-1 Rocky Elsom, 15-2 Theconishcowboy, 8-1 Reflect, 14-1 Planetoid.

4.20 25 FREE BET AT BETVICTOR.COM HANDICAP (CLASS 3). £11,500 added 4YO PLUS 6f Penalty Value £7,159.

1	10505-	BARNET FAIR (170) (CD) L Carter 6 9 7 ... O Murphy (3) 7
2	0000-0	PISCENE (USA) (37) (CD) T Keddy 9 9 6 ... G Baker 6
3	6300-0	YEEOWH (IRE) (23) (CD) K Burke 5 9 3 ... M Harley 8
4	022-61	BADDOLINI (9) (D) A Bailey 4 9 1 ... R Hughes 9
5	-43112	TRAJAN ROCKET (IRE) (9) (CD) M Wigham 6 9 1 ... R Kingscote 10
6	6-4010	CORPORAL MADDOX (16) (D) R Harris 7 9 0 ... A Kirby 4
7	10000-	ANOTHER WISE KID (IRE) (175) (D) P Midgley 6 8 13 ... G Lee 5
8	0016-0	UPAVON (58) (CD) D Elsworth 4 8 13 ... L Keniry 1
9	211-56	NOVELLEN LAD (IRE) (28) (D) W Musson 9 8 9 ... C Catlin 3
10	00-450	CLEAR PRAISE (USA) (14) (CD) S Dow 7 8 7 ... Hayley Turner 2

BETTING: 11-4 Trojan Rocket, 10-3 Baddolini, 11-2 Barnet Fair, 15-2 Pisceen, 10-1 Yeeowh, 11-1 Corporal Maddox, Novellen Lad, 14-1 Clear Praise, 20-1 others.

4.50 DOWNLOAD THE BETVICTOR APP NOW HANDICAP (CLASS 5). £4,000 added 4YO PLUS 2m Penalty Value £2,588.

1	115-26	BRAMSHILL LASS (18) (CD) Mrs A Perrett 5 9 12 ... J Crowley 6
2	-02312	SHALAMBAR (IRE) (14) (CD)BF A Carroll 8 9 8 ... James Doyle 11
3	3-3000	WILD DESERT (FR) (14) D Carroll 9 8 8 ... S Drowne 7
4	4005-6	TOPOLSKI (IRE) (11) (D) D Arbuthnot 8 9 8 ... G Lee 3
5	802-3	ARTY CAMPBELL (IRE) (53) B J Llewellyn 4 9 7 ... D Probert 2
6	6224-5	MONTJESS (IRE) (56) Mrs L Morgan 4 9 7 ... L Jones 5
7	0-0632	ARASHI (12) (CD) D Shaw 6 9 6 ... D Swift 4
8	3035-0	THE ASSENT MARE (14) (CD) R Dickinson 6 9 3 ... A Kirby 9
9	22/013	MIGHTY MAMBO (14) (CD) Mrs L Hill 7 9 3 ... G Baker 1
10	0506/0	YOUNG LOU (J24) R Dickinson 5 8 13 ... L Keniry 8
11	/0-215	GRAYLYN RUBY (FR) (32) (CD) R Eddery 8 9 8 ... F Tylicki 10

BETTING: 3-1 Shalambur, 4-1 Arashi, 11-2 Graylyn Ruby, 6-1 Bramshill Lass, 15-2 Mighty Mambo, 11-1 Arty Campbell, 12-1 Montjess, 16-1 Wild Desert, 20-1 others.

5.20 FOLLOW AT BETVICTORRACING ON TWITTER HANDICAP (CLASS 6). £3,000 added 4YO PLUS 6f Penalty Value £1,941.

1	04-410	COMPTON PRINCE (30) (D) J Bradley 5 9 7 ... R Tart (3) 6
2	5210-0	HARROGATE FAIR (19) (CD) M D Sweeney 4 9 7 ... L Jones 10
3	6440-6	CEELO (19) (D) Mrs L Pearce 4 9 7 ... L Keniry 4
4	00-000	EL MIRAGE (IRE) (30) (CD) J Ivory 4 9 6 ... J Crowley 3
5	20025-	SAKHEE'S ROSE (165) (CD) E McMahon 4 9 6 ... G Baker 5
6	3610-0	GUNG HO JACK (12) (CD) J Best 5 8 6 ... S Drowne 11
7	01-351	NEW RICH (33) (CD) Eve J Houghton 4 9 5 ... J Fahy 1
8	-12400	PRINCE OF PASSION (CAN) (19) (CD) D Shaw 6 9 3 ... M Lane 2
9	0-4020	CLIMAXFORTACKLE (IRE) (33) (CD) D Shaw 6 9 3 ... D Swift 12
10	30-540	TEEN ARGER (FR) (14) (C) P Burgoyne 10 9 1 ... J Quinn 9
11	1-4050	FOIE GRAS (20) (CD) C Dwyer 4 9 0 ... C Beasley (5) 7
12	00-040	LAST MINUTE LISA (IRE) (12) S Kirk 4 9 0 ... R Hughes 8

BETTING: 4-1 New Rich, 6-1 Sakhee's Rose, 15-2 Climaxfortackle, 8-1 Harrogate Fair, Compton Prince, Ceelo, 11-1 Prince Of Passion, Gung Ho Jack, El Mirage, 14-1 others.

Monday's runners

2	2006/	MAID OF SILK (IRE) (J151) N Mulholland 8 9 4 ... P Aspell 1
3	5000-0	TALLULAH MAI (J20) A J Liddell 7 9 2 ... L Morris 5
4	050/1	SIR FRANK MORGAN (IRE) (6) (CD) M Johnston 4 8 13(6ex) J Fanning 3
5	-54506	EXCELLENT NEWS (IRE) (6) (C) A L Forbes 5 8 12 ... J Garrity (7) 4
6	-66543	POSTE RESTANTE (3) D M Simcock 4 8 9 ... G Buckell (7) 6

BETTING: 4-5 Sir Frank Morgan, 3-1 Fair Breeze, 15-2 Poste Restante, 10-1 Maid Of Silk, 16-1 Tallulah Mai, 25-1 Excellent News.

5.00 CORAL.CO.UK BEST ODDS GUARANTEED ON RACING HANDICAP (CLASS 6). £3,500 added 4YO PLUS 1m 1f 103yds Penalty Value £2,264.

1	4-4124	INDIA'S SONG (14) (BF) D M Simcock 4 9 7 ... G Buckell (7) 5
2	000	KRISTAL HART (26) N Mulholland 5 9 5 ... P Aspell 2
3	605-54	TEIDE PEAK (IRE) (37) (CD) P D'Arcy 5 9 5 ... S Levey 7
4	22-230	STRANDFIELD BAY (IRE) (24) Mrs S Watt 8 9 4 ... J Fanning 1
5	3-4503	DELIGHTFUL SLEEP (21) (CD) P Evans 6 9 4 ... E Walsh (5) 4
6	323035	DO MORE BUSINESS (IRE) (3) (CD) L Corcoran 7 9 3 ... P Prince (5) 3
7	300320	GENERAL TUFTO (13) C Smith 9 8 12 ... T Queally 6
8	5-5654	SILVER FAWN (IRE) (6) J Weymes 8 8 7 ... L Morris 8
9	4060-0	BIG CITY BOY (IRE) (28) P McEntee 6 8 7 ... W Carson 9

BETTING: 5-2 India's Song, 9-2 Do More Business, 5-1 Teide Peak, 6-1 Delightful Sleep, 8-1 General Tufto, Kristal Hart, 12-1 Strandfield Bay, 16-1 Silver Fawn, 25-1 Big City Boy.

5.30 CORAL APP DOWNLOAD FROM THE APP STORE HANDICAP (CLASS 4). £8,000 added 4YO PLUS 1m 4f Penalty Value £5,175.

1	4-2241	THE LOCK MASTER (IRE) (18) (CD) M Appleby 7 9 7 ... A Mullen 5
2	-14301	ROYAL ALCOR (IRE) (9) (CD) Miss G Kelleway 7 9 5 ... T Queally 1
3	603142	MICA MIKA (IRE) (9) (CD) R Fahey 6 9 1 ... T Hamilton 4
4	100-31	LINEMAN (21) (CD) A Hollinshead 4 8 9 ... S W Kelly 3
5	5-3025	ALL THE WINDS (GER) (21) (CD) S Lyett 9 8 9W Twiston-Davies (3) 2

BETTING: 15-8 The Lock Master, 10-3 Lineman, 4-1 Royal Alcor, 9-2 Mica Mika, 7-1 All The Winds.

6.00 CORAL MOBILE 'JUST THREE CLICKS TO BET' HANDICAP (CLASS 6). £3,500 added 4YO PLUS 1m 4f Penalty Value £2,264.

1	-55451	ARABIAN HEIGHTS (5) (C) Williams 6 9 10(6ex) ... G Downing (5) 3
2	5023-4	ALBORZ (IRE) (71) T Vaughan 5 9 7 ... L Topiles 6
3	53-205	SPANISH PLUME (21) (D) A Hollinshead 6 9 7 ... G Gibbons 5
4	3043-0	SILK ROUTE (19) G Bravery 4 9 4 ... W Carson 2
5	33-335	STAR OF NAMIBIA (IRE) (34) M Mulleux 4 9 1 ... J Fanning 4
6	060440	MAZU (17) (CD) P Hiatt 6 8 7 ... L Morris 1

BETTING: Evens Arabian Heights, 5-1 Alborz, 15-2 Silk Route, Mazu, 8-1 Spanish Plume, Star Of Namibia.

Horse Racing

JACK'S THE LAD AT FFOS LAS



FAVOURITE: Richie McLernon saddles Carlton Jack in the 3.50 at Ffos Las.

JONJO O'Neill was one of the stars of the show at the Cheltenham Festival and he can keep up the good work with Carlton Jack primed to strike at Ffos Las.

The master of Jackdaws Castle had a bit of a quiet spell mid-season but his horses are clearly thriving now the spring weather has arrived and Carlton Jack is judged ready to return to the fray.

He will be having just his seventh hurdles start but he has made a reasonable impact so far, winning twice back in October, first at Uttoxeter and then at Sedgefield.

Carlton Jack nearly threw away victory on the latter occasion, jinking right in the closing stages, but managed to hold on by a neck from the game Mr Utah.

While he did drift badly, Carlton Jack kept on again once his jockey had taken hold so he did not look to be the shirking type.

He has clearly not been quite right since as he has not run and a 10lb hike in the interim is

far from ideal.

However, he is still pretty unexposed and with the O'Neill yard in such good heart, Carlton Jack merits the utmost respect in the Register For WearAHat Day 2014 Handicap Hurdle.

Charingworth has been given plenty of time to recover from his last outing and that patience can pay dividends in the 32Red.com Handicap Chase.

The 11-year-old may be reaching his twilight years but he still retains plenty of ability, as evidenced by his third in very testing conditions at Haydock in December.

Charingworth was most determined that day and has actually been eased 3lb for finishing third in what was probably only an average heat.

Tutchech can make it five wins on the bounce in the ApolloBet Online Casino Handicap Chase at Carlisle.

Nicky Richards' charge has shot up 33lb in the ratings after beginning his winning spree at this track back in October.

He has added two more tri-

umphs at the Cumbrian venue since, before scoring at Newcastle on his most recent outing.

The value of that form is probably debatable and while Tutchech was helped when his main rival made a hash of the penultimate fence, he then ploughed through the last himself.

Tutchech survived that mistake and it probably limited his subsequent rise as he may well have won by further otherwise.

SELECTIONS:

CARLISLE: 2.00 Uppertown Cave, 2.30 Un Guet Apens, 3.05 Island Heights, 3.35 Tutchech, 4.10 Choisan, 4.40 Walden.

FFOS LAS: 2.15 Flying Eagle, 2.45 Ivy Gate, 3.20 Rossa Parks, 3.50 CARLTON JACK (NAP), 4.25 Charingworth, 4.55 Tarraco, 5.25 Princess Tara.

LIMERICK: 2.10 Kitten Rock, 2.40 Love On Top, 3.10 Concordin, 3.40 Baby Shine, 4.15 Domination, 4.45 Sherika, 5.15 Milsean.

NAVAN: 2.25 Drunken Counsel, 2.55 Drumlee, 3.30 Le Vent D'Antan, 4.00 Flaming Dawn, 4.35 Cadspeed, 5.05 Easy Vic, 5.35 Rogue Trader.

DOUBLE: Carlton Jack and Tutchech.

FFOS LAS

Sunday's runners

Going: Soft-Good to Soft in places

2.15 CENTERPLATE.CO.UK 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE (CLASS 4). £4,800 added 4YO PLUS 2m 4f Penalty Value £3,119.

1	2-2423	ASHFORD WOOD (IRE) (43) (BF) T Vaughan 6 11 1	R Johnson
2	2-45	BAR A MINE (FR) (43) P Nicholls 5 11 1	D Jacob
3	4-633	DREAM DEAL (76) J Scott 6 11 1	N Schofield
4	2212	FLYING EAGLE (IRE) (24) (CB) P Bowen 6 11 1	J Moore
5	6/0-06	FUSE WIRE (14) D Burchell 7 11 1	R T Dunne (3)
6	C2P2F/	GAIR LEAT (IRE) (1061) I Corcoran 10 11 1	S Twiston-Davies
7	-22444	GATE PLEASE (IRE) (43) Miss R Curtis 9 11 1	P Corbett (5)
8	F106/0	LIGHTNING MOLEY (IRE) (16) Miss T Watkins 11 11 1	B Poste (5)
9	PFFP/0	PELCOMB BRIDGE (1385) Marc Barber 9 11 1	D Crosse
10	314-P0	SERIOUS MIXTURE (77) Mrs H Parrott 7 11 1	Jack Doyle
11	0/2-0	THOMASTOWN (IRE) (28) I Williams 7 11 1	R J McCarthy (5)
12	4062	VERMOUTH BLEU (FR) (23) Jonjo O'Neill 5 11 1	T M O'Brien (10)

BETTING: 11-4 Ashford Wood, 7-2 Dream Deal, 4-1 Vermouth Bleu, 5-1 Flying Eagle, 6-1 Gate Please, 12-1 Bar A Mine, 20-1 Fuse Wire, Gair Leat, 33-1 others.

2.45 WALTERS LAD NOVICES' HURDLE (CLASS 4). £4,800 added 4YO PLUS 3m Penalty Value £3,119.

1	P-2165	ASHES HOUSE (IRE) (68) (C/D) Miss R Curtis 8 11 8	J Moore
2	-1122P	KNOCKANRAWLEY (IRE) (29) (D) K Bailey 6 11 8	E Cookson (5)
3	-F1235	TIDAL DANCE (IRE) (22) (D) Miss V Williams 7 11 8	A Coleman
4	S51332	IVY GATE (IRE) (22) Jonjo O'Neill 6 11 2	M Linehan (5)

CARLISLE

Going: Chase: Good to Soft-Soft in places; Hurdle: Soft-Good to Soft in places

2.00 APOLLOBET FREE DOWNLOAD APP NOVICES' HURDLE (CLASS 4). £6,000 added 4YO PLUS 2m 1f Penalty Value £3,899.

1	30/0-5	BALLYVOQUE (IRE) (54) G Channon 8 11 0	R Mania
2	0U3556	QUICK BREW (80) M Barnes 6 11 0	D Bourke (7)
3	53-422	RUSSBOROUGH (FR) (126) Miss V Williams 5 11 0	L Treadwell
4	5060	THE VILLAGE (IRE) (15) Miss L Russell 5 11 0	H Brooke
5	FF-114	UPPERTOWN CAVE (IRE) (83) D McCain 5 11 0	P Buchanan
6	6-1052	VOYAGE A NEW YORK (FR) (33) Miss L Russell 5 11 0	K Renwick
7	0-PF	KNOCKCAIRN (IRE) (33) I Duncan 7 10 7	B Hughes

BETTING: 6-4 Voyage A New York, 9-4 Russborough, 5-2 Uppertown Cave, 14-1 Quick Brew, 20-1 Ballyvoque, 33-1 The Village, 150-1 Knockcairn.

2.30 APOLLOBET MOBILE GAMES NOVICES' CHASE (CLASS 3). £11,000 added 5YO PLUS 2m Penalty Value £7,148.

1	522414	INDIAN VOYAGE (IRE) (24) (CD) M Barnes 6 11 5	D Bourke (7)
2	-04411	MITCHELL'S WAY (14) (C) G Swinbank 7 11 5	P Brennan
3	0-15FP	ROCKAWANGO (FR) (24) (CD) J Ewart 8 11 5	D Irving (7)

5	4-40	TRELIVER MANOR (IRE) (286) Miss E Lavelle 6 11 2	Richard O'Dea (10)
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BETTING: 7-4 Tidal Dance, 2-1 Knockanrawley, 9-2 Ashes House, 5-1 Ivy Gate, 16-1 Treliver Manor.

3.20 BURNS HEALTHY PET HANDICAP CHASE (CLASS 4). £5,800 added 5YO PLUS 2m 5f Penalty Value £3,769.

1	10P-45	ACCORDINGTOPALM (IRE) (296) (C) D Rees 8 11 12	P Moloney
2	352145	ROSSA PARKS (IRE) (10) (D) B N Mulholland 8 11 12	N Feahy
3	-54335	CLOUDINGSTAR (IRE) (21) (D) Jonjo O'Neill 7 11 10	M Linehan (5)
4	121-0P	MILANS WELL (IRE) (62) (D) B Powell 8 11 9	B J Powell
5	1-5644	SUPREME BOB (IRE) (23) Lucy Jones 8 11 9	Will Kennedy
6	PP-525	TUSKAR ROCK (FR) (23) Miss V Williams 11 11 3	A Coleman
7	020040	AMAURY DE LUSIGNAN (IRE) (28) P Henderson 8 10 6	T J O'Brien

BETTING: 5-2 Rossa Parks, 3-1 Tuskar Rock, 5-1 Milans Well, 6-1 Cloudingstar, 15-2 Accordingtopalm, 10-1 Amaury De Lusignan, Supreme Bob.

3.50 REGISTER FOR WEARAHAT DAY 2014 HANDICAP HURDLE (CLASS 3). £9,000 added 4YO PLUS 2m 4f Penalty Value £5,848.

1	-31032	BIG CASINO (17) (D/BF) N Twiston-Davies 8 11 12S	Twiston-Davies
2	4-2211	CARLTON JACK (136) (D) Jonjo O'Neill 7 11 12	R McLernon
3	S21121	LIBERTY ONE (IRE) (23) R Woolcott 8 11 9	2nd Preference
4	P05P-2	LUNDY SKY (23) A Newcombe 9 11 7	J Moore
5	3PP310	STILL BELIEVING (IRE) (17) (CD) E Williams 6 11 6	C Ring (7)
6	1/PP00	GOLDEN GAE (28) (D) J Scott 8 11 6	N Schofield

4	24-331	UN GUET APENS (FR) (80) (D) J Ewart 6 11 5	B Hughes
5	323123	HIT THE TOP (IRE) (18) Mrs S Smith 7 10 12	R Mania
6	16-442	UP AND GO (FR) (24) (D/BF) D McCain 6 10 12	H Brooke

BETTING: 6-4 Up And Go, 3-1 Hit The Top, 5-1 Un Guet Apens, 6-1 Rockawango, 13-2 Mitchell's Way, 25-1 Indian Voyage.

3.05 APOLLOBET 50 FREE BETS NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (JOCKEY CLUB GRASSROOTS JUMPS SERIES QUALIFIER) (CLASS 4). £6,500 added 4YO PLUS 2m 3f 110yds Penalty Value £4,224.

1	2-1112	MUDITA MOMENT (IRE) (18) (D/BF) Miss V Williams 9 11 12	L Treadwell
2	002110	MR UTAH (25) H Hogarth 7 11 12	T Kelly (3)
3	555101	GRANARUI (IRE) (10) (CD) Mrs A C Hamilton 11 11 11	Mr T Hamilton (7)

4	3/11P5	VINNY GAMBINI (IRE) (24) (CD) Mrs R Dobbin 7 11 9	Craig Nichol (5)
5	10421	ISLAND HEIGHTS (IRE) (9) (D) Miss L Russell 5 11 6	K Renwick
6	42U146	MOST HONOURABLE (48) M Smith 4 11 0	A Nicol (4)
7	23603	VASCO PIERJII (FR) (39) D McCain 5 10 8	A P Lane
8	53-P05	BAILEYS CONCERTO (IRE) (14) Mrs D Sayer 8 10 2	B Hughes

BETTING: 2-1 Island Heights, 3-1 Mudita Moment, 4-1 Granarui, 6-1 Most Honourable, 11-1 Vinny Gambini, 12-1 Vasco Pierji, 20-1 Mr Utah, 25-1 Baileys Concerto.

7	04-441	THE CLOCK LEARY (IRE) (34) Miss V Williams 6 11 5	A Coleman
8	000124	HEAVENSTOWN (IRE) (8) (C) J Spearing 8 11 4	N De Boinville (5)
9	031P06	LAVA LAMP (GER) (22) (CD) E Williams 7 11 4	A Wedge
10	/51-P5	FISHING BRIDGE (IRE) (43) (CD) D Rees 9 11 3	R Johnson
11	-00004	HOLD COURT (IRE) (25) E Williams 7 11 2	P Moloney
12	06-100	CAWDOR HOUSE BERT (66) (CD) D Rees 7 10 11	T J O'Brien

BETTING: 3-1 Carlton Jack, 9-2 The Clock Leary, 5-1 Big Casino, 7-1 Hold Court, 8-1 Liberty One, 10-1 Lundy Sky, Heavenstown, 14-1 Still Believing, 16-1 others.

4.25 32RED.COM HANDICAP CHASE (CLASS 3). £10,000 added 5YO PLUS 3m Penalty Value £6,498.

1	0-331P	BOYFROMNOWHERE (IRE) (64) (CD/BF) Miss R Curtis 7 11 12	P Corbett (5)
2	01-242	TITCHWOOD (IRE) (31) (C) Jonjo O'Neill 6 11 10	R McLernon
3	0P-233	CHARINGWORTH (IRE) (76) K Bailey 11 11 10	N Schofield
4	-04205	TULLYRAINE (IRE) (31) (D) N Twiston-Davies 10 11 4	S Twiston-Davies

5	5-0540	OUR ISLAND (IRE) (22) (CD) T Vaughan 9 10 12	R Johnson
6	-12435	RADUIS BLEU (FR) (102) (C) Lady S Brooke 9 10 10	Miss L Brooke (7)

BETTING: 9-4 Titchwood, 4-1 Boyfromnowhere, 9-2 Charingworth, 5-1 Our Island, 6-1 Tullyraire, 13-2 Raduis Bleu.

4.55 HERITAGE PORTFOLIO CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (CLASS 5). £3,300 added 5YO PLUS 3m Penalty Value £2,144.

1	-61111	TUTCHECH (FR) (60) (CD) N Richards 7 11 12	B Harding
2	1P-U12	COUNT GUIDO DEIRO (IRE) (36) (D) N Twiston-Davies 7 11 9	G G Sheehan (3)
3	12-2P5	DREAMS OF MILAN (IRE) (52) D McCain 6 11 5	H Brooke
4	0-610P	CHAVOY (FR) (22) (C) Rebecca Menzies 9 11 4	T Kelly (3)
5	2-5065	BALLYOLIVER (17) (D) Miss V Williams 10 11 3	L Treadwell
6	02-15U	YOU KNOW YOURSELF (IRE) (26) (C/D) Mrs S Smith 11 11 3	R Mania

7	-33131	THE FRIARY (IRE) (24) Miss L Russell 7 10 13	Derek Fox (5)
8	1033-3	MARKADAM (312) (C) Mrs D Sayer 8 10 11	C McCormack (5)
9	53U411	NAIL 'M (IRE) (14) N Hawke 6 10 10	T Scudamore

BETTING: 7-2 Tutchech, 5-1 The Friary, Nail 'm, 11-2 Count Guido Deiro, 7-1 Dreams Of Milan, 8-1 Ballyoliver, 10-1 Markadam, You Know Yourself, 14-1 Chavoy.

4.10 APOLLOBET BEST ODDS GUARANTEED HANDICAP HURDLE (CLASS 4). £6,500 added 4YO PLUS 2m 1f Penalty Value £4,224.

1	4-5544	RUPERT BEAR (39) (CD) N Walton 8 11 12	Miss C Walton (5)
2	-00212	SHORT TAKES (USA) (16) (D/BF) D McCain 6 11 10	N Slater (7)
3	0302	CHOISAN (IRE) (24) T Easterby 5 11 5	D Costello

1	433123	GLENWOOD PRINCE (IRE) (62) (D/BF) J Scott 8 11 12M	Griffiths (3)
2	/443-P	NIGHT SAFE (IRE) (25) (D) N Twiston-Davies 13 11 10	R Hatch (6)
3	-PU421	TARRACO (FR) (6) Miss V Williams 7 11 9(7ex)	J Challoner (3)
4	P/1035	JUMP UP (25) (CD) P Bowen 8 11 5	Michael Byrne
5	024355	CHASERS CHANCE (IRE) (19) (D) P Henderson 11 10 11	Joshua Moore

6	5PP1U4	TOM BACH (IRE) (106) (CD/BF) Hywel Evans 10 10 0	James Best
7	14-4PF	NO MORE WHISPERS (IRE) (9) (D) Marc Barber 9 10 0	K Moore
8	-P2FR2	JIM JOB JONES (65) N Mulholland 10 10 0	C Shoemark

BETTING: 4-5 Tarraco, 6-1 Glenwood Prince, 8-1 Tom Bach, 10-1 No More Whispers, 12-1 Jim Job Jones, 14-1 Chasers Chance, Night Safe, 16-1 Jump Up.

5.25 GLYN ABBEY STANDARD OPEN NH FLAT RACE (CLASS 6). £2,400 added 4 to 6YO 2m Penalty Value £1,560.

1	BLOWN COVER	Miss E Lavelle 5 11 3	A Coleman
2	CROWD CONTROL	(IRE) (113) Miss R Curtis 5 11 3	J Moore
3	DASHAWAY	(IRE) (45) J Scott 5 11 3	N Schofield
4	ESSTEEPEE	(33) T Vaughan 5 11 3	Michael Byrne
5	ETHELRED	(IRE) J Snowden 6 11 3	B J Powell
6	MAC BERTIE	E Williams 5 11 3	A Wedge
7	4P-6	STONEADFORSPED (IRE) (168) S G Griffiths 6 11 3R	T Dunne (3)
8	TINOS TANK	(IRE) (15) Mrs H Parrott 5 11 3	Jack Doyle
9	VODKAONHEROCKS	(FR) P Hobbs 6 11 3	R Johnson
10	CITY SUPREME	(IRE) (74) A Honeyball 4 10 10	R Thornton
11	QUINLANDO	(IRE) B Powell 4 10 10	D Banks (5)
12	2	PRINCESS TARA (IRE) (126) P Bowen 4 10 3	D Devereux

BETTING: 3-1 Vodkaontherocks, 9-2 City Supreme, 5-1 Princess Tara, 6-1 Blown Cover, 13-2 Dashaway, 10-1 Mac Bertie, 14-1 Ethelred, 16-1 Crowd Control, Essteepee, Quinlando, 33-1 others.

Sunday's runners

4	FP6366	SNOWED IN (IRE) (69) Mrs B Butterworth 5 10 7	S Quinlan
5	0/06P	VINOMORE (508) Mrs D Sayer 8 10 6	R Mania
6	60-652	COPT HILL (53) (D) Miss T Waggett 6 10 2	B Hughes
7	P06531	ROSQUERO (FR) (24) R Johnson 9 10 0	A P Lane

BETTING: 2-1 Short Takes, 11-4 Rosquero, 4-1 Choisan, 5-1 Copt Hill, 12-1 Vinomore, 16-1 Rupert Bear, 20-1 Snowed In.

4.40 APOLLOBET IN-PLAY BETTING OPEN HUNTERS' CHASE (CLASS 6). £2,500 added 5YO PLUS 3m 110yds Penalty Value £1,646.

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5	21P-15	SACRED MOUNTAIN (31) (D9) J Walton 13 12 2	Miss C Walton
6	0P-03U	SAMMY SPIDERMAN (31) (D) Miss Katie Scott 11 12 2	Miss E Dunkley (7)

7	25-0P5	BALLYCOLIN (15) (D) I Duncan 11 11 12	Mr Sean Fox (5)
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10	-P2322	WALDEN (IRE) (42) (D) J Ferguson (IRE) 7 11 12	Mr W Thompson (7)

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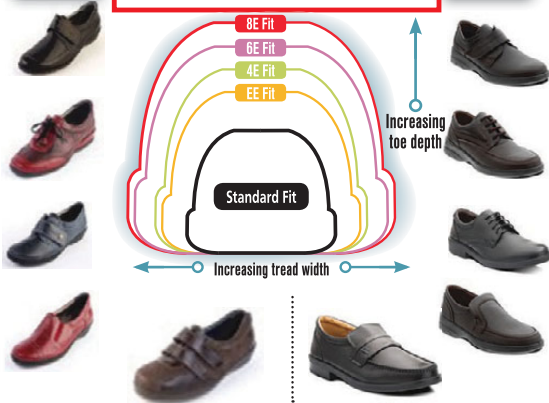
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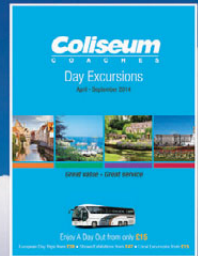
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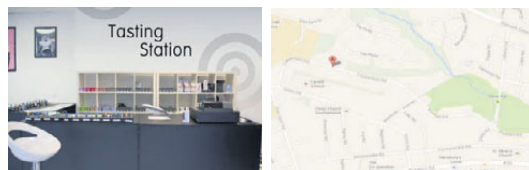
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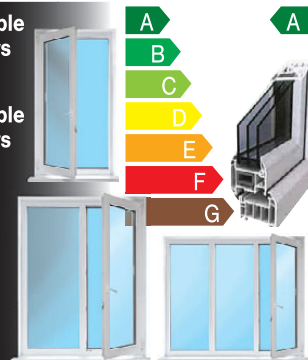


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A. Villa.....	L	Chelsea.....	L
HT L-L			
Everton.....	2	Cardiff.....	1
Deulofeu 59		Cala 68	
Coleman 90			
HT 0-0		Att 38,018	
Fulham.....	1	Newcastle.....	0
A Dejagah 68			
HT 0-0		Att 25,664	
Hull.....	0	Man City.....	2
		Silva 14	
HT 0-1		Dzeko 90	
SAINTS.....	4	Norwich.....	2
Schneiderlin 5		Elminder 85	
Lambert 57		Snodgrass 86	
Rodriguez 72			
Gallagher 90		Att 29,828	
HT 1-0			
Stoke.....	3	West Ham.....	1
Odemwingle 32,79		Carroll 5	
Arnautovic 69			
HT 1-1		Att 27,015	
Sunderland.....	0	Crystal P.....	0
HT 0-0			
Swansea.....	1	W.B.A.....	2
Lamah 2		Sessegnon 52	
		Mulumbu 85	
HT 1-0		Att 20,703	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Chelsea	29	13	2	0	33	9	7	4	3	23	13	66
Man City	27	12	0	1	43	9	7	3	4	28	18	60
Liverpool	28	12	1	1	42	12	6	4	4	31	23	59
Arsenal	28	10	3	1	26	7	8	2	4	26	21	59
Spurs	29	7	3	4	16	18	9	2	4	21	19	53
Everton	28	10	3	1	26	11	4	6	4	14	17	51
Man Utd	28	6	3	4	18	12	8	3	4	28	19	48
SAINTS	30	6	5	4	25	21	6	4	5	18	16	45
Newcastle	29	6	3	5	18	19	7	1	7	19	21	34
Stoke	30	7	6	2	21	15	1	4	10	11	29	34
West Ham	29	5	3	6	20	20	3	4	8	12	18	31
A. Villa	28	4	2	8	16	22	4	5	5	15	16	31
Hull	29	5	4	6	17	16	3	2	9	13	21	30
Swansea	29	4	5	6	26	23	3	3	8	12	20	29
Norwich	30	5	6	4	13	12	2	2	11	11	36	29
W.B.A.	29	3	7	5	16	19	2	6	6	17	24	28
Crystal P	29	6	2	7	13	18	2	4	10	6	20	28
Sunderland	27	3	3	8	13	21	3	4	6	13	21	25
Cardiff	30	5	4	6	15	23	1	3	11	8	29	25
Fulham	30	4	1	10	18	31	3	2	10	12	34	24

SkyBet Championship

	HOME						AWAY							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Leicester	35	14	3	1	40	16	11	8	7	3	28	17	80	
Burnley	36	12	6	0	32	11	8	7	3	27	20	73		
Derby City	36	9	4	5	29	21	9	5	4	31	22	63		
Q.P.R.	35	12	4	2	28	13	6	5	6	15	15	63		
Wigan	34	9	5	2	24	14	8	2	8	21	17	58		
Nottm For	36	9	6	3	32	21	5	9	4	23	20	57		
Reading	36	7	7	4	31	18	8	4	6	25	23	56		
Brighton	35	8	6	4	25	16	7	5	5	14	12	56		
Ipswich	36	9	4	5	26	18	4	8	6	20	24	51		
Blackburn	35	8	4	5	22	14	5	6	7	21	30	49		
Watford	35	9	3	6	28	16	3	9	5	24	25	48		
CHERRIES	35	7	5	6	25	19	5	6	7	19	32	46		
Middlesbro	36	7	9	4	26	13	3	6	9	18	25	45		
Leeds Utd	35	7	4	6	29	24	5	4	9	19	27	44		
Huddersfld	36	8	4	6	31	24	4	4	10	16	26	44		
Sheff Wed	35	7	3	7	28	20	3	9	5	15	22	42		
Bolton	36	4	9	5	24	19	5	4	9	22	33	40		
Blackpool	36	6	6	6	17	18	3	5	10	14	34	38		
Birmingham	36	2	8	8	23	26	7	2	9	20	25	37		
Doncaster	36	8	4	6	23	22	1	6	11	9	32	37		
Millwall	36	5	6	7	19	26	2	5	11	13	36	32		
Charlton	32	4	5	6	12	16	2	6	9	12	25	29		
Yeovil	35	4	4	10	13	19	3	4	10	17	33	29		
Barnsley	35	5	7	6	20	30	1	4	12	11	32	29		
Bolton	0	Brighton	2											
HT 0-1		Buckley 13,65												
Att 15,336														

CHERRIES.....	0	Middlesbro.....	0
HT 0-0		Att 9,710	
Burnley.....	2	Leeds Utd.....	1
Pearce 38 og		McCormack 27	
Arfield 87			
HT 1-1		Att 18,109	
Huddersfld.....	2	Blackburn.....	4
Hammill 25		Rhodes 4,55,81	
Wells 71		Conway 65	
HT 1-1			
Ipswich.....	1	Wigan.....	3
Smith 19		McClean 22,77	
HT 1-2		Barnett 42	
Leicester.....	3	Blackpool.....	1
Mahrez 60		Goodwillie 41	
Morgan 82			
Phillips 87		Att 27,669	
HT 0-1			
Millwall.....	0	Charlton.....	0
HT 0-0			
Nottm For.....	0	Doncaster.....	0
HT 0-0		Att 27,402	
Q.P.R.....	3	Yeovil.....	0
Morrison 25,90			
Zamora 70			
HT 1-0		Att 16,667	

Reading.....	0	Derby City.....	0
HT 0-0		Att 19,514	
Sheff Wed.....	4	Birmingham.....	1
Lavery 16,68		Novak 80	
Best 21			
Packwood 58 og			
HT 2-0		Att 20,637	
Watford.....	3	Barnsley.....	0
Battocchio 5			
Deeney 16			
Merkel 74			
HT 2-0		Att 14,531	

SkyBet League One

Bradford.....	1	Gillingham.....	1
McLean 10		McDonald 57	
HT 1-0		Att 13,089	
Bristol C.....	0	Swindon.....	0
HT 0-0		Att 14,884	
Carlisle.....	0	Stevenage.....	0
HT 0-0		Att 3,672	
Crawley.....	1	Colchester.....	0
M Jones 41			
HT 1-0		Att 3,182	
Crewe.....	1	Oldham.....	1
Davis 90		Harkins 52	
HT 0-0		Att 5,258	
Leyton O.....	0	Brentford.....	1
HT 0-1		Trotta 45	
M K Dons.....	0	Peterboro.....	2
		Assombalonga 58,60 pen	
HT 0-0		Att 9,256	
Rotherham.....	1	Walsall.....	1
Adams 89		Lalkovic 19	
HT 0-1		Att 8,212	
Tranmere.....	3	Notts Cnty.....	2
Koumas 25		Murray 14	
Lowe 28		Sheehan 61	
Jennings 84			
HT 2-1		Att 4,292	
Wolves.....	0	Shrewsbury.....	0
HT 0-0		Att 24,012	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Wolves	35	13	4	2	33	9	10	4	2	31	12	77
Brentford	35	14	1	3	34	15	9	6	2	25	16	76
Leyton O	37	11	2	5	34	17	11	6	2	36	17	74
Preston	36	7	8	2	26	21	11	6	2	26	15	68
Rotherham	36	7	8	3	36	27	11	4	3	31	17	66
Peterboro	36	10	2	5	25	19	8	2	9	33	29	58
M K Dons	37	8	4	6	28	21	7	3	9	27	29	52
Walsall	37	6	5	7	18	24	6	8	5	23	16	49
Swindon	37	10	3	5	34	24	3	6	10	19	27	48
Sheff Utd	34	9	5	3	26	14	4	3	10	11	24	47
Port Vale	35	9	3	6	27	25	5	1	11	19	30	46
Bradford	36	6	9	4	30	21	4	6	7	18	23	45
Gillingham	37	9	4	6	28	23	4	2	12	21	37	45
Crawley	32	7	5	4	16	16	3	8	5	20	23	43
Bristol C	37	5	8	6	26	26	4	7	7	28	33	42
Coventry	35	5	8	5	35	32	6	4	8	29	31	41
Colchester	35	6	4	8	21	23	3	8	6	18	22	39
Oldham	37	6	4	8	20	26	4	5	10	21	28	39
Tranmere	36	5	6	7	26	34	5	3	10	18	30	39
Carlisle	36	7	4	8	25	30	3	4	10	13	27	38
Stevenage	36	6	3	8	20	22	4	4	11	17	33	37
Crewe	37	6	6	6	22	26	3	4	12	20	43	37
Shrewsbury	36	4	7	8	16	20	3	6	8	18	27	34
Notts Cnty	37	7	2	9	27	25	2	2	15	18	42	31
*Coventry deducted 10 points												

SkyBet League Two

Burton Albion.....	1	AFC Wimbledon.....	1
Kee 22 pen		Jones 90	
HT 1-0		Att 2,592	
Cheltenham.....	1	Torquay.....	0
Richards 75			
HT 0-0		Att 3,105	
Chesterfld.....	3	Oxford Utd.....	0
Banks 8			
Roberts 16 pen,90			
HT 2-0		Att 6,246	
Dagenham.....	1	Morecambe.....	1
Elitto 52 pen		Hughes 89	
HT 0-0		Att 1,718	
Fleetwood Town.....	3	POMPEY.....	1
Farkin 16		Wallace 64	
Saravici 26 pen			
Matt 56			
HT 2-0		Att 3,509	
Hartlepool.....	4	Bristol R.....	0
Harewood 2			
Walker 16			
Walton 56 pen			
Franks 90			
HT 2-0		Att 3,480	
Northampton.....	1	Mansfield.....	1
Carter 64 pen		Palmer 32	
HT 0-1		Att 5,129	
Plymouth.....	0	Scunthorpe.....	2
Sykes 79			
Cole 90 og			
HT 0-0		Att 8,198	
Rochdale.....	2	Acc Stanley.....	1
Lund 77		Mingola 72	
Bunney 90			
HT 0-0		Att 2,841	
Southend.....	0	Bury.....	0
HT 0-0		Att 5,680	

